

WINDOW SAFETY

WINDOWS:

- Make sure that windows are closed and locked when not in use. If your windows do not have locks, install them.
- Put window stops on all windows. This keeps the window from opening more than 4 inches.
- Install window guards (bars that sit in front of windows) on windows second-story or higher. Be sure yours has a quick-release mechanism in case of a fire.

WINDOW COVERINGS:

- Choose window coverings without cords whenever possible. This is safest when you have young children in the home.
- For window coverings with separate cords (to adjust your curtains and blinds) or a cord that loops:
 - Snip the cord to get rid of a dangerous loop that can cause strangulation.
 - Use a cord shortener to keep the cords up high and out of a child's reach.
 - Tuck all cords near the top of the windows, and check them when your child is in the room to make sure they haven't fallen.
- Move all furniture and toys away from windows. This can help prevent children from climbing to grab cords or get close to windows that would normally be out of reach.

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