

BATHROOM SAFETY

DROWNING:

- Never leave your child unattended in the bathtub, and do not rely on an older sibling to watch young children.
- Bath seats and rings are not safety devices. Smaller children can easily slip out of them into the water, or hurt themselves on the side of the tub.
- Be sure to empty the tub immediately after the bath (any remaining water is a drowning hazard).
- Place safety covers over doorknobs, to keep kids from opening doors. Younger children can drown in toilets, so always keep lids down and install toilet locks.

BURNS & SCALDS:

- Install anti-scald devices on water faucets and shower heads. This will stop the flow of water if it gets too hot.
- Always check the water temperature with a temperature-sensing bath toy, or your wrist or elbow, before bathing a baby, toddler or young child.
- Never leave hair dryers, flat irons or other heat-producing appliances unattended. These items can heat quickly, and stay warm after use. Always unplug them, and tuck the cord away, or store them after you are done.
- Be sure to use ground fault circuit interruptors (GCFI) in all outlets.

SLIPS & FALLS:

- Use non-slip mats inside and outside of the tub or shower.
- Install safety bars inside tubs and showers.
- If your shower has a glass door, be sure it is shatterproof.

POISONING:

- Keep all medicines, personal-care products and household cleaners locked up. Install safety locks, latches and doorknob covers to keep kids from opening drawers, cabinets, closets and doors that contain these things.

IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY:

- Learn CPR, and make sure those who are supervising your children know it, too.

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