

R O O M - B Y - R O O M Home Safety Tips



When was the last time your home had a "safety checkup?"
At Underwriters Laboratories Inc. (UL), North America's leading
product safety certification organization, we encourage you to read these important
room-by-room home safety tips and complete the handy checklist as you
take a safety tour of your home. Please feel free to photocopy both sides of this sheet for future use!



KITCHEN

Store all portable and small appliances and their cords out of the reach of children and always keep them a safe distance away from the sink.

Keep all portable and countertop appliances unplugged when not in use.

Never use or attempt to repair a damaged appliance; always consult a qualified technician.

Every home should have working, UL Listed smoke detectors and fully charged UL Listed fire extinguishers strategically placed in the kitchen, garage, and workshop.

YES
I do this.

NO
I need to do this.

NURSERY/BEDROOMS

Install UL Listed smoke detectors and carbon monoxide (CO) alarms outside every sleeping area and near fuel-burning appliances.

Place halogen torchiere lamps in locations where they cannot be tipped over by children, pets, or a strong draft from an open window. Do not allow curtains or other combustible materials to come in contact with torchiere lamps at any time.

To help prevent your infant from becoming trapped between the crib frame and mattress, choose a firm mattress that fits the crib frame snugly and securely. Also, make sure the mattress support does not easily pull away from the corner posts.

Use a tape measure or ruler and look for strangulation hazards and areas where an infant can become trapped. There should be no more than 2 3/4 inches between crib slats, corner posts should not extend more than 1/8 of an inch above the end panels (unless the corner posts extend at least 16 inches high for a canopy), and headboards and footboards should not contain cutout areas.

YES
I do this.

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BATHROOM

Keep space heaters, radios, and other electrical products away from bathtubs and sinks.

Keep medications, cleaning products, and other poisons away from children and pets.

Make sure that you have ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) outlets installed in the bathroom as well as in the kitchen, laundry room, and workshop.

YES
I do this.

NO
I need to do this.

FAMILY/LIVING ROOM

Use outlet plug covers to prevent children from inserting objects into outlets.

Never run an electrical cord under a rug or carpet, or drape it over a hot surface such as a radiator or space heater.

Make sure that all portable lamps and fixtures are equipped with light bulbs of equal or lesser wattage than that recommended by the lamp or fixture manufacturer.

Unplug all extension cords when not in use and never use an extension cord that is cut or damaged.

YES
I do this.

NO
I need to do this.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Home Address: _____

Home Phone(s): _____ Work Phone(s): _____

Cell Phone(s): _____ Pager #: _____

Medical Emergency Contact(s): _____

Police Department: _____ Fire Department: _____

Poison Control: _____

Pediatrician: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Hospital: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

HEALTH INSURANCE

Company: _____

Group #: _____ ID #: _____

CHILD'S INFORMATION

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Height: _____ Weight: _____

Allergies: _____

Medical Condition(s): _____

Medication: _____ Dosage: _____

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Height: _____ Weight: _____

Allergies: _____

Medical Condition(s): _____

Medication: _____ Dosage: _____

WHAT IS THE UL MARK?

The UL Mark is the most widely recognized certification of safety in North America. It means that samples of a product bearing the Mark have been tested to nationally recognized safety standards and found to be reasonably free from the risk of fire, electric shock, and related hazards.

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