

Toilet Safety Tips



- Children are “top-heavy” (their heads are heavier than their bodies) so drowning in the toilet is a real possibility. Consider installing toilet seat locks
- Place appliances away from the toilet.
- Do not place any appliances or chemicals on top of the toilet water reservoir
- Always accompany your child when it’s time to use the restroom
- Never leave children unattended to play or use the restroom on their own or with other young children

Toilet Safety Checklist

- Never leave your child unattended in the bathroom
- Keep electrical appliances (hair dryer, curling irons, etc) out of reach of children and away from the toilet
- Do not let children play with each other unsupervised in the bathroom
- Have toilet lid locks on toilet seats
- Young children should not watch other young children in the restroom



Safety Series

Toilets



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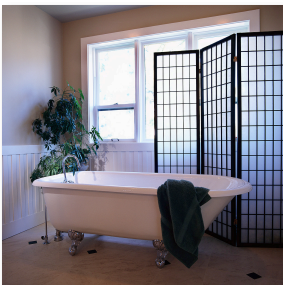
The Facts

The floors can be slippery, especially when people don't dry off properly, potentially causing a fall. This is especially dangerous if a person falls into the toilet or bathtub which are made of ceramic or porcelain.

To make matters worse children are curious when they see water. They easily have the urge to play in the water which poses a potential risk as well. The risk include but are not limited to drowning and electrocution.

It is very important to always keep a watchful eye and make sure children are not in the restroom by themselves. With a vivid imagination, and an imbalance in body weight, unsupervised children can easily drown.

Nonfatal drownings can cause brain damage resulting in long term disabilities - anything from memory problems, learning disabilities, to permanent basic functioning.



Correcting the risk factors for unintentional accidents in the restroom are simple and begins with **you**. Always watch your child.



In 2004, 26% of the children between the ages of 1-4 that died, died from drowning.

Along with drowning, the presence of electrical appliances can make things worst. To avoid electrocution, simply unplug and put away your appliance after every use. There are safety products to protect your child from drowning. Please see the next section.

A child can drown in as little as 2 inches of water.

SAFETY PRODUCTS

These items were designed to help prevent accidents. They are not accident proof, but do help reduce the chances of your child getting hurt.

MAGNETIC CABINET LOCKS

This lock is easy to open for adults with one hand and difficult for children to open.

No adhesive required or any complex installation.



SIMPLY CLOSE THE TOILET SEAT LID

Simply close the toilet seat lid and watch your child when entering the restroom. This can be tedious, but a few minutes of observation can help avoid any accident and long term damage.

TOILET AND TUB GUARDS

Toilet and tub guards provide a simple barrier between your child and the water they anxiously want to dive into. This barrier can be as high as 4' tall and help you protect your child when they get away from you.

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