## Window Safety Checklist

Warm weather and the urge to open a window pose a potential danger that many people don't realize until it's too late—window falls. On average, 100 children die each year from fall-related injuries and over two million children are injured<sup>1</sup>.

Please check all the rooms in your home and make sure they are safe places for your children to play or nap.



- Teach children about the hazards of playing near an open window and make sure they understand that a screen will not stop them from falling
- Never put beds or other furniture under a window.
- Do not allow children to stand on toys or other items to look out a window.
- As a precaution, you can install thumb latches<sup>2</sup> (available at most hardware stores) to prevent children from opening windows on their own.
- Routinely check your screens to make sure that they are secure and if you have concerns, please call maintenance. Remember: screens do not prevent falls.
- Check the cords on your blinds and other window-coverings to make sure they do not pose a choking hazard. Keep cords up, out of the reach of small hands. Make sure all cords are free-hanging and are not looped or knotted.



## What You Should Know Tips On Back!

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