

Home Eye Safety Checklist

- Use safety gates at the top and bottom of stairs.
- Provide lights and handrails to improve safety on stairs.
- Pad or cushion sharp corners and edges of furnishing and home fixtures.
- Install cabinet and drawer locks in kitchens and bathrooms.
- Leave personal-use items (cosmetics, toiletry products), kitchen utensils and desk supplies where they are not easily accessible to children.
- Inspect and remove debris from lawns before mowing.
- Use occupant restraints such as infant and child safety seats, booster seats, safety belts and shoulder harnesses in cars.
- Avoid toys with sharp or rigid points, shafts, spikes, rods and dangerous edges.
- Keep toys intended for older children away from younger children.
- Use guards on all power equipment.
- Wear chemical safety goggles when using hazardous solvents and detergents.
- Read and follow all manufacturer instructions and warning labels.
- Do not mix cleaning agents.
- Know that regular eyeglasses don't always provide enough protection.
- Keep paints, pesticides, fertilizers and similar products properly stored in a secure area.
- Avoid flying toys and projectile-firing toys; these pose a danger to all children, particularly those under five years old.
- Beware of items in playgrounds and play areas that pose potential eye hazards.
- Keep your tools in good condition; damaged tools should be repaired or replaced.
- Wear safety glasses or dust goggles to protect against flying particles, and chemical goggles to guard against exposure to fertilizers and pesticides.
- Keep BB guns away from kids.