

April 5-11 is Window Safety Week!

As the weather turns warmer, our thoughts should turn to making open windows safe for the entire family, especially children. In addition, teaching your children how to safely use a window in an emergency situation is just as important.

The [Window Safety Task Force](#) offers these tips to protect and educate children:

- Avoid placing furniture near windows that would tempt a child to climb up.
- Screen windows are not sufficient alone to prevent a window fall.
- Don't allow children to play near open windows and doors.
- Install devices designed to limit how far a window will open or window guards with release mechanisms.
- During home renovations, make sure that windows are not painted shut or nailed shut.
- When opening windows for ventilation, open the ones that a child cannot reach.
- Teach your child how to safely use a window to escape during an emergency.

Are you doing all you can to make your windows safe? Here's a checklist:

<https://aama-media.s3.amazonaws.com/cff7a7a0-41b9-11e9-bf7f-cf7f1a870e9a.pdf>

And check out this activity book for kids that's fun and informative:

<http://aama-media.s3.amazonaws.com/0d6d46f0-1a0a-11e7-937d-fd255be37391.pdf>