

Preventing TV Tipovers

Protect your Child

In recent years, more than 87 children aged 10 or younger died in the U.S. from injuries sustained from a television falling.

Prevent injuries to your child! **Follow these safety recommendations** from the Westchester County Child Fatality Review Team, the US Consumer Product Safety Commission, and Consumer Reports:



SAFETY TIPS

- Place televisions on furniture that is sturdy and appropriate for the size of the TV.
- Furniture holding the TV should be anchored to the floor or wall using brackets, screws or braces. It is best to use hardware provided by manufacturers.
- Avoid placing TVs on dressers and chests, as children may be tempted to use the drawers to climb and may cause the furniture or TV to topple.
- Make sure that the TV does not hang over the edge of the furniture base and that it is positioned as far back as possible.
- Place electrical cords out of a child's reach, and teach children not to play with the cords.
- Keep items that might be attractive to children, such as toys and remote controls, away from the top of the TV or TV stand.

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