



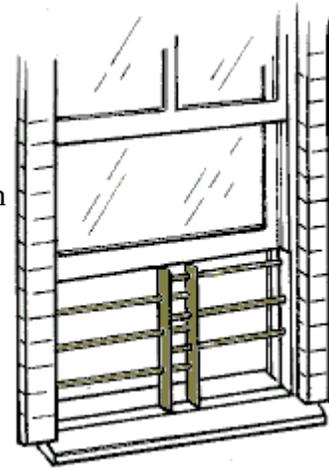
CPSC Safety Alert

Preventing Window Falls

Every year, thousands of young children are killed or injured in falls from windows. To help prevent these tragedies, take the following actions -- especially for windows in bedrooms.

➔ Safeguard your windows with window guards or window stops.

- Install **window guards** to prevent children from falling out of windows. (For windows on the 6th floor and below, install window guards that adults and older children can open easily in case of fire.)
- Install **window stops** so that windows open no more than 4 inches.



➔ Never depend on screens to keep children from falling out of windows.

➔ Whenever possible, open windows from the top -- not the bottom.

➔ Keep furniture away from windows, to discourage children from climbing near windows.

See and share CPSC's Neighborhood Safety Network posters ([English](#) and [Spanish](#)) and video on [window safety](#).

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