



SUMMER SAFETY



NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY

- Know your neighbors. Make sure your children are aware of who they can trust if they need help. This also helps your child understand who's a stranger in the neighborhood and who isn't.
- Discuss neighborhood boundaries with your child. How far from home can they go?
- Remind them to never stay out alone, take a friend and tell a trusted adult where they will be.

SAFETY AT HOME

- Educate children on how to reach you in case of an emergency
- Review what they should do if someone comes to the door
- Provide additional information for trusted neighbors and family/friends that can be reached in case they can't get a hold of you.
- Show them how to secure the home, lock doors, windows and use the security system.
- Never hide house keys under door mat or rock near the door.
- Create a schedule - kids know when and where to expect people in the household
- Create summer chores - give age related tasks to children to keep them busy and productive while helping you out at the same time
- Social Media - Be aware of what your kids are sharing, talk with them about the importance of not openly sharing being home alone as this is a target for unwanted visitors.

YARD SAFETY

- Trim your hedges and trees. If your hedges or trees cover windows, doors or entrances this gives burglars a better chance of not being seen by the public.
- Keep up with lawn care. Long, uncut grass signals that there may not be anyone home.
- Put tools away. Tools are a popular target for thieves. Leaving tools or other items can also be what they use to break into your home.



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