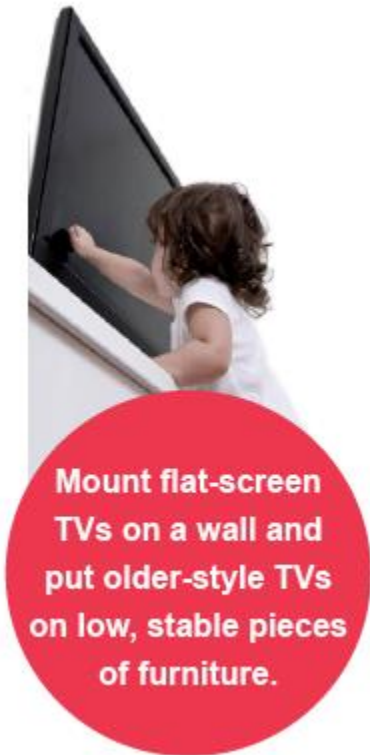


TV and Furniture Tip-Overs



You wouldn't think to bring a baby home from the hospital without a car seat or have your child ride a bike without a helmet. Protecting your children from the potential risk of TV and furniture tip-overs is another important part of keeping them safe.

The Hard Facts

Every 3 weeks a child dies from a television tipping over. Over the past 10 years, a child visited the emergency room every 45 minutes because of a TV tipping over.

Top Tips

1. Assess the stability of the TVs in your home.
2. Mount flat-panel TVs to the wall to prevent them from toppling off stands. Follow the manufacturer's instructions to ensure that you have a secure fit.
3. If you have a heavier, box-style cathode ray tube (CRT) TV, place it on a low, stable piece of furniture that is appropriate for the TV's size and weight.
4. If you no longer use your CRT TV, consider recycling it. To find a location to safely and easily recycle unwanted TVs, go to www.GreenerGadgets.org. Here are some [step-by-step tips to help](#).
5. Use brackets, braces or wall straps to secure unstable or top-heavy furniture to the wall.

TV Tip-Overs

How kids are getting hurt and what to do about it.



Every 3 weeks a child dies from a television tip-over.*



Every hour, a child goes to the ER because of a TV tip-over.



7 out of 10 kids injured by TV tip-overs are ages 5 and under.



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A 36" heavier, box-style CRT TV falling three feet creates the same momentum as a 1-year-old child falling 10 stories.

34% of households still have a CRT in the home.



34% of child fatalities from 2000-2013 due to TV tip-overs involved someone climbing on the furniture or TV.



From 2000-2013, 47% of child fatalities due to TV tip-overs occurred in a bedroom.

Safety Tips



Properly place your old TV. If you have a heavier, box-style TV, place it on a **low, stable piece of furniture** that is appropriate for the TV's size and weight.



Secure your flat-panel TV. Be sure your flat-panel TV is properly secured with a **wall mount that has a safety certification** by an independent laboratory (such as UL, CSA, ETL).



Recycle your TV. To find a location near your home that **safely and responsibly recycles** unwanted TVs, go to www.GreenerGadgets.org.

* Based on estimates from CPSC NEISS data for 2000-2013.