



## Tips around the home

Fire safe behaviour is reliant on the awareness of risk and knowing what to do to reduce the risk. Adequate supervision and positive role modelling for young children is very important. Parents and carers can help reduce this risk by controlling or removing possible fire hazards around the home.

### Safety tips for the kitchen

- Keep children out of the kitchen when cooking, or educate them on the dangers of hot surfaces
- Separate children from hot foods and liquids
- Water can still burn up to 30 minutes after boiling
- Beware of cords that hang down below the bench level as they can be grabbed
- Use non-slip tablemats instead of tablecloths
- Never drink hot drinks with the child on your lap

### Safety tips for the bathroom

- General home hot water temperatures should be around 50°C
- Always use cold water first and last
- Never leave children alone in the bathroom. If you have to answer the door or telephone take the child with you
- Keep the door shut when the bathroom is not being used
- Swirl water to mix hot and cold water – this helps prevent hot spots in the bath
- Test the water with a thermometer first. The ideal temperature should be between 36°C and 38°C

### Product safety

#### Bathroom

Bathmats  
Bath thermometers  
Cabinet locks  
Tap caps  
Toilet locks

#### Kitchen

Cabinet locks  
Fire blankets  
Magnetic lock sets  
Multi-purpose latches  
Oven locks  
Stove guards  
Stove and knob covers

#### General household

Cord wind ups  
Fire extinguishers  
Magnetic lock  
Multi-purpose latches  
Outlet covers  
Protection strips for doors  
Security gates  
Smoke alarms  
VCR / DVD locks



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