Center for Child Accident Prevention

Is the safety of children ensured at home?

Go through the checklist to ensure the safety of children under 6 years old at home. If the answer is "Yes," the item is safe. If "No," the item needs to be corrected or improved. Grandparents are also advised to review their homes.

Kitchen	Yes	No
Are knives, scissors, and similar tools stored in a cabinet with a safety lock?		
Is the stove secured to the wall?		
Does the oven door have cooling so it doesn't get hot on the outside?		
Are stove knobs protected so a child can't access them?		
Is there a safety lock on the oven door?		
Is there a guard for the stove top or are only the back burners used?		
Are household appliances placed so young children can't reach them?		
Are cords secured so a child can't pull an appliance down on themselves?		
Are dishwasher detergents and other cleaning agents in an upper cabinet or locked storage?		
Are medicines and vitamin tablets in an upper cabinet or locked storage?		
Are plastic bags and wraps stored out of children's reach?		
Is the child's high chair equipped with a harness and secured to the table?		
Is there a safety lock on the refrigerator?		
Is there a temperature control on faucets in the kitchen?		
Are sharp utensils placed with tips down in the dishwasher?		

Bathroom	Yes	No
Are razors and similar tools stored in a cabinet with a safety lock or in an upper cabinet?		
Are toiletries and cleaning agents in a cabinet with a safety lock or in an upper cabinet?		
Is there a non-slip mat/strips in the tub/shower?		
Is there a temperature control on faucets in the shower, bath, and sink?		
Are hairdryers and other electrical devices stored out of children's reach?		
Is the changing table stable, with a safety strap and high sides?		
Is the stool for the child at the sink stable?		
Is there a safety lock on the toilet seat?		



Children's Room	Yes	No
Are cabinets, shelves, and dressers secured to the wall?		
Are ceiling lights made from shatterproof material?		
Is the lamp by the child's bed fixed to the wall?		
Are rugs on the floor stable?		
Are toys intact and suitable for the child's age and development?		
Does the bunk bed have a safety guard?		
Is the spacing between bunk bed rungs less than 9 cm or more than 23 cm?		
Is the spacing between crib slats 6 cm or less?		

Stairs	Yes	No
Are there safety gates at stair openings, both top and bottom?		
Are gaps between balusters less than 9 cm?		
Is the gap between the handrail and floor less than 9 cm?		
Are stair treads non-slip?		
If there are openings between treads, are they less than 9 cm?		
Is the handrail designed so a child can't climb it?		
Is the minimum height of the handrail 90 cm?		

Windows and Glass	Yes	No
Are openable parts of windows less than 9 cm wide?		
Are storm window fasteners secure?		
Is there safety glass in doors and tables with glass tops?		
Are curtain cords shortened or fitted with safety rollers?		

Doors	Yes	No
Is there a finger guard on the front and balcony doors?		
Is there a door closer on the balcony door?		
Is there a safety lock on the balcony door?		
Is there a finger guard or stopper on interior doors that may slam due to drafts?		



Electricity and Electrical Appliances	Já	Nei
Does the ground fault circuit interrupter work?		
Are outlets safe (can't insert sharp objects)?		
Do old outlets have a safety lock?		
Is the TV secured to the surface or wall?		
Is the laundry room locked?		
Are cords of wall lights fixed to the wall?		

General Safety at Home	Já	Nei
Are sharp edges of radiators protected?		
Are there corner protectors on sharp furniture edges?		
Are shelving units and cabinets secured to the wall?		
Are firearms stored unloaded and in locked gun cabinets?		
Is the first aid kit in an accessible place?		
Are rugs stable and not curling at edges/corners		

Fire Safety at Home	Já	Nei
Are matches and lighters in a cabinet with a safety lock or upper cabinet?		
Is there an escape plan for the home, e.g. in case of fire?		
Are smoke detectors present and working?		
Are there working fire extinguishers at home?		
Is there a fire blanket in the home?		
Is there a working gas detector (where gas appliances are used)?		
Is the emergency number 112 visible by the phone?		
Does everyone in the home know how to call emergency services?		

