

## **Staysafe West Lothian/ pre-school home safety**

There can be so many risks inside and outside the home, it can be hard to keep track of them all. For instance, did you know that:

- Falls are one of the most common causes of childhood accidents?
- Six toddlers are admitted to hospital every day because they've been so badly burned?
- Many accidents can be prevented in just one minute, by moving dangerous objects out of a child's reach?

Staysafe was set up in 2000 to assist families on low-income or not in paid employment purchase safety equipment for a reduced cost at Argos.

Families are able to purchase up to 3 safety gates and/or fireguard. Vouchers are sent out to the families for them to take to their local Argos store. Referral to the project is through health visitor, family worker or social worker if eligible.

### **Fixed or sentinel gate**



The versatile and stylish two-way opening Extending Metal Gate by Lindam is designed to fit an opening of up to 102cm without the need for extensions. The quick release fittings allow the gate to be removed and replaced quickly and easily to suit your lifestyle. Recommended for the top of the stairs as it doesn't have a trip bar.

- Screw fit.
- Metal bars and plastic fittings.
- Once the gate has been installed the quick release fittings allow the gate to be taken away and replaced quickly without the use of any tools.
- 2 way opening.
- Easy close.
- 1 handed opening and locking.
- No step over bar.
- Wide walk through section.
- Height 79cm.
- Fits openings from 62.5 to 102cm.

### **Pressure gate**



- Pressure fit - permanent fix wall cups included.
- Metal bars with plastic handle.
- 2 way opening.
- Double locking.
- Easy close.
- 1 handed opening and locking.
- Step over bar.
- Height 75cm.
- Fits openings from 75 to 81cm.
- Maximum width with extensions 137cm.

### Extending Fire Guard



- Suitable for most types of gas, electrical and open fires, if fitted to hearth (fittings included).
- Durable epoxy coating.
- Side panels can be opened to allow access to heating controls.
- Size H69, D44cm.
- Minimum width 110cm.
- Extends to maximum width 152cm.

### Safety Packs

These are given free to families via their referrer. They contain: -

Cupboard locks, socket covers, corner cushions, an anti-scald bath triangle, Too hot labels and a door jammer.

## Child resistant medicine box



Accidental poisoning remains a leading cause of death in kids... Keeps tempting pills and vitamins locked away (because many pills look like sweets to children). No keys to lose; they feature a patented squeeze-and-turn lock. Includes removable tray and magnifier.

Current issues are blind cord safety [www.makeitsafe.org.uk](http://www.makeitsafe.org.uk)  
Hair straightener safety

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[www.rospa.com](http://www.rospa.com)  
[www.capt.org.uk](http://www.capt.org.uk)  
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