



HOME SAFETY GUIDE

To Prevent Common Accidents

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Abstract

Home safety is essential for every household in Perth, where families value comfort and security. With rising concerns about accidents, especially in kitchens, bathrooms, and outdoor areas, ensuring a safe living environment is crucial. Simple steps like securing loose wires, using non-slip mats, and safely storing cleaning products can prevent injuries. In a city known for its vibrant lifestyle, protecting loved ones from avoidable hazards is a top priority. From weather-related risks to household mishaps, proactive safety measures not only prevent accidents but also offer peace of mind. Prioritising home safety helps Perth residents live confidently and comfortably every day.

1. Introduction

Creating a safe home environment is essential to prevent common accidents, especially in a busy city like Perth. From slips and falls to electrical hazards and kitchen mishaps, everyday tasks can pose unexpected risks if proper precautions aren't taken. A well-maintained and organised home not only ensures the safety of your loved ones but also promotes peace of mind. This Home Safety Guide aims to help Perth residents identify potential dangers and take simple, effective steps to reduce them. Whether you live in an apartment or a family home, these practical tips will support a safer, accident-free lifestyle for everyone.

2. Hidden Dangers in Your Home You Should Never Ignore

"If it ain't broke, don't fix it" is not the philosophy to live by when you're a homeowner in Perth—the plumbing or electric doesn't have to be broken to be dangerous.

Lint

If it's taking longer than usual for your clothes to dry or the clothes are super hot after a dry cycle, you could have a build-up of lint—even if it's not visible in the lint screen. "Lint is an extremely flammable material," says Jason Kapica, president of Dryer Vent in Perth. "Oxygen moves through a dryer and its vent when the machine is running. There is a heating element inside the dryer providing a potential ignition source." Reduce the risk by removing the lint from the lint screen after each load and get a yearly cleaning of the dryer vent line.

Puddles

If you notice some puddles on the floor (and you don't have a new puppy), it could be a sign of poor ventilation and mold. "Mold is a particularly common problem in bathrooms with inadequate ventilation," says Yoel Pioraut, managing partner at MyHome Design + Remodeling. "Examine pipes to check for moisture or excessive condensation. If everything checks out, but you have a lack of ventilation, it's time to call in a contractor to add an exhaust fan," recommends Pioraut. Allergies and asthma reactions are intensified when mold is present.

Tripping GFCI

The Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI) is an electrical safety device that trips electrical circuits when they detect ground faults or leakage currents. "These outlets prevent deadly shock by quickly

shutting off power to the circuit when the electricity flowing into the circuit differs from that returning,” says Keith Pinkerton, owner of Mr. Electric of Huntsville, Perth, a Neighborly company. In some cases, the switches may stay on and trip off when the test button is pressed. That’s a sign a new GFCI should be installed by an electrician. Avoid other electricity hazards by knowing the truth about these electricity myths.



Flickering lights

Flickering and blinking lights may seem ghostly, but it’s probably overloaded electrical circuits. Pinkerton says other signs include dimming lights, blown fuses, warm or discolored wall plates, crackling, sizzling, or buzzing from receptacles. A mild shock from touching appliances or burning odor from receptacle or wall switches should also be cause for alarm. “Overloaded electrical circuits should only be repaired by a licensed, qualified electrician,” says Pinkerton.

Annoying beeps

Yes, the annoying beeps on your smoke alarm usually wake you up at 3 a.m., but don’t just knock it off the ceiling and forget about it. It’s a sign it needs to be fixed. It could be a dying battery or dead backup battery, dust, or a sign of a malfunction. “Roughly two-thirds of all home fire deaths occur when smoke alarms are not working,” says Pinkerton. “Check the home to verify smoke alarms are installed in every bedroom, outside each sleeping area, and on every level of the home. A licensed, qualified electrician should be contacted to verify your home’s smoke alarm system meets the latest building and electrical codes.” Smoke alarms are one of the common items with hidden health risks you need to know.

Creosote build-up

A crackling fire is so cozy, but when those dancing flames don’t completely burn off the oils in the wood, they off-gas as volatiles (aka volatile organic compounds, or VOCs) and rise with the smoke. As

the smoke cools, it condenses with water and other chemicals inside the chimney and flue, creating a build-up of creosote; this can lead to chimney fires and house fires. "Bringing in an expert to assess and repair if needed is always recommended because of the risk of fire or death," says Robert Boudreau, InterNACHI-Certified Home Inspector, Metro-West Appraisal and Home Inspections. The National Fire Protection Association recommends that chimneys, fireplaces, and vents be inspected at least once per year. This is just one of the scary ways your fireplace could be toxic.

Pump on the fritz

Hey, how's your sump pump looking? It's probably not something you think about very often...until it fails and leaves you with a flooded basement. Don't ignore the signs of possible failure. "Checking connections, cleaning the pump and vents, and making sure the float switch is not restricted can be done by the homeowner," says Boudreau. "A battery backup pump is also an inexpensive way to prevent failure," says Boudreau.

Not making the grade

Improper grading can cause cracks, deterioration of foundation walls, and structural damage if you don't know what to look for. "Spotting grading issues is the easiest if water is pooling next to a home's foundation. But sometimes it is difficult to detect the source because water can be running towards to the home below the surface or water can be pooling because of rain," says Boudreau. "Adding soil to exterior foundation below siding is an easy and cheap solution." Changing the downspouts and ensuring they are 6 feet away from the home is another option but if more drastic grading is necessary, a pro needs to be called. Be on the lookout for these other hidden home expenses that drain your bank account.

Cracks and gaps

Speaking of foundation, there are signs inside your house you should look for on a regular basis. These include gaps and cracks in hardwood floors, or cracks at the corners of door jambs and window frames, says Patrick Knight, training, licensing and inspection support manager of WIN Home Inspection. Minors cracks should be monitored, but cracks over 1/8 to 1/4 inches should be investigated by a pro. "Uneven floors and doors that don't shut right can be annoyances, but if that settlement continues, then the structure can become at risk," cautions Knight.

Mixing old and new

Do you have an old house with 2-prong outlets in some rooms and updated 3-prong in others? Do you see mixed wire type, open junctions or just worn out wiring? "In older houses where electrical wiring has been updated, it's important to make sure these changes were done to-code and by a professional. Substandard wiring can not only lead to blown circuits, but old or faulty wiring left intact can cause fires," warns Knight. Contacting an electrician is recommended for this home improvement, so don't cut corners and try to DIY.

Up on a roof

If you're comfortable doing so, check out your roof with a ladder or get a decent view with binoculars. The National Roofing Contractors Association recommends inspecting it twice a year—in the fall and spring. Knight says to look for bumps or dips; discolored, missing, or broken shingles; gutters and attached drainage. "The biggest thing that can happen are leaks. Leaks lead to structural issues as well as moisture-related issues in the home," says Knight. You can replace missing shingles

that flew off in a storm and caulk flashing and hammer down popped nails yourself, but call a pro if you're not comfortable working on the roof or if extensive damage is found.

Leaking ducts and flue pipes

When it comes to boilers or furnaces, "if ain't broke, don't fix it" is a common mentality. But even if they're keeping your toes warm, you should definitely be checking these on a regular basis to look for warning signs things are headed south, such as a yellow or jumpy pilot flame. In addition, Knight says to check for cracks, rusting and/or leaking flue pipes, as this is a big hazard for carbon monoxide. That old furnace might be a "classic," or it could be one of the 17 warning signs a house could be a money pit.

Subterranean destroyers

Bubbling paint may be a sign of moisture build-up...or termites. You're hoping it's moisture, right? "Subterranean termites eat the wood and process it into food. Termites make mud tubes because their bodies must stay moist," says Knight. You can spot some of the evidence: mud tubes, shredded wings that look like tiny fish scales, sagging or blisters in flooring, hollow or weak sounding wood, or wood that is damaged. It usually takes years of unnoticed termite activity to destroy a house, but they can certainly damage structural components, like the floor joists which support your house.

3. A Guide to Home Safety



Most of us feel safe in our home in Perth, but we all stand to gain by brushing up on the fundamentals of home safety. Don't assume that the job is done, just because you've invested in a state of the art home security system.

Your home may harbor toxins from its building materials. A wide range of poisons may be found in your kitchen cabinet, medicine cabinet, and garage. The electricity used to power household appliances can cause electrical shock or death.

And if that isn't enough, you could fall, drown, or even experience a fire in your home. Fortunately, by being aware of potential safety hazards, keeping a properly stocked first aid kit, and by making and maintaining a personalized safety checklist, you can ensure that your "home, sweet home" is a "home, safe home." Here's a quick preview:

A Guide to Household Toxins Many household toxins, like lead, radon, asbestos, and formaldehyde, come from the materials used to build homes. These hazardous materials can cause a variety of serious health problems, from fatigue and headaches to lung cancer. Polluted drinking water and

allergens in the home can also make you sick. But there are ways to detect these dangers and eliminate them from your home.

How to Poison-Proof Your House Many people, especially children and the elderly, die from accidental poisoning at home. Common household poisons like detergents, insecticides, vitamins, and over the counter medications can seriously injure a child who ingests them. Elderly people who take prescription medicines can be poisoned by accidentally taking a second dose. However, most cases of accidental poisoning can easily be prevented by ensuring that poisons are stored properly and kept out of the reach of children.

A Guide to Household Electricity Hazards The electricity in a home can be a dangerous power source if proper precautions are not taken. Electrical shocks from coming into contact with electricity can knock you unconscious, cause burns, and even be fatal. By taking simple measures like covering outlets with safety plugs, keeping electrical appliances away from water, and turning off circuit breakers before attempting electrical work, you can reduce your risk of coming into direct contact with electricity.

How to Prevent Accidental Falls The elderly and those with certain medical conditions are especially at risk for accidentally falling at home. However, no matter what your age or health status, you can fall due to carelessness or putting yourself in risky situations. Falls can result in minor injuries like bruises or cuts, or more serious injuries like broken bones and burns. Fortunately, you can greatly reduce your risk of falling by following safety tips like moving carefully, installing window guards, and removing obstacles from your home.

How to Prevent Drowning Drowning is a leading cause of accidental death, especially for children. Drowning does not happen just in homes that have swimming pools — children can drown in small containers of water, like a bucket or a toilet. Simple steps like installing a fence around your pool and never allowing someone to swim alone can help ensure that a drowning death will never occur in or around your home.

A Guide to Household Fire Hazards Most deaths due to household fires can be avoided by properly installing and maintaining smoke detectors. Having working fire extinguishers, keeping lighters and matches away from children, and using caution around portable heaters are just a few more ways you can lessen the chances of a fire devastating your home. While it is impossible to completely fireproof your house, you can make it much safer for your family.

4. Easy Ways to Keep Your Home Safe From a Fire, According to Electricians

Just a few small tweaks will protect your home and peace of mind.

We're all probably guilty of it: taking electricity for granted. It's there every minute of the day, from the alarm and coffee maker in the morning to turning off the last lamp at night, making sure we can stay cool (or warm) and comfy, cook dinner, read in bed, wash our dishes and clothes, and, well, live our lives. It's also a powerful force that can be downright dangerous if we're not careful.

To find out what we really need to know when it comes to the safe use of electricity at home, we went straight to the experts—here are their tips for keeping your home safe.



Choose the Right Bulb

Shopping for light bulbs is confusing; What Kelvin temperature is best? Which base size do you need? And what's a lumen anyway? But when it comes to safety, this is a case of being sure to read the label.

"Always use the proper rated light bulb(s) wattage for the light fixture," says Hannahs. "The maximum wattage should be shown on a sticker that is commonly on the light socket (where you screw in the light bulb) but could also be somewhere on the light fixture itself."

Skip the Extension Cord

Especially if you live in an older house, outlets may be few and far between and/or oddly placed. That makes it tempting to grab an extension cord to get electricity where you need it. However, you definitely want to make sure larger load appliances like space heaters, air conditioners, and hot plates are plugged directly into a wall receptacle outlet.

"Extension cords and plug strips should not be used," Hannahs says. "That's because these appliances often draw a significant ampacity that exceeds the rating of extension cords and plug strips." He adds that just because it appears the appliances are working initially, the load being imposed that exceeds the extension cord or plug strip rating could eventually degrade their integrity and cause a fire.

Use GFCIs

You've probably heard of GFCIs, but what are they, and why do we need them? Well, we know water and electricity don't mix. "Ground-fault circuit interrupters (GFCIs) are a safety mechanism that will shut off an electrical circuit when a shock hazard arises," Hannahs explains, such as spaces where both electricity and water are present. GFCIs should be installed in bathrooms, kitchens, garages and basements, as well as all outdoor receptacles.

While GFCIs are typically installed as receptacle outlets (you can recognize them by the "Reset" and "Test" buttons), if it's not feasible to replace the outlets, he says, they can also be installed at electrical panels as circuit breakers.

Test GFCIs

Just having GFCIs isn't enough though, cautions Hannahs. You have to make sure they're working properly. "They should be tested at least monthly or more frequently as the manufacturer recommends," he says.

To test the GFCI, according to the CSPC, plug a lamp into the outlet and turn the lamp on, then press the GFCI's test button. If the light doesn't go out, the GFCI isn't working properly and needs an electrician's attention. Assuming it works, next press the reset button. If the light doesn't come back on? The GFCI needs to be replaced.

Protect Outlets and Children From One Another

"If you have little kids, use plastic covers for outlets," says Warkins. "I have seen so many damaged outlets from kids putting knives in outlets, causing major damage!"

At minimum, be sure your receptacles are tamper-resistant. According to the NFPA some 2,400 children suffer severe shock and burns each year by sticking things into the slots of electrical receptacles.

Don't Overheat Outlets

Kitchen outlets are workhorses, serving up power to any number of small and large appliances—and we often want to use more than one at a time. The NFPA cautions us to take it easy on these outlets though, and only plug in one heat-producing appliance at a time.

Keep your microwave oven on a separate outlet from your toaster, for example, and your toaster oven separate from your coffee maker to prevent wiring from overheating.

Just Don't DIY It

With our 24/7 access to YouTube university, there's not much we can't learn from online videos. "While those may be great for some do-it-yourself projects, electrical work is not one of them," Hannahs says.

It may save some money in the short term, but you're (literally!) playing with fire if you tackle your own electrical work. "Always hire a qualified electrician to perform electrical work in your home," says Hannahs. "They are trained in the code requirements and installation methods that will keep you, your home, and the things you cherish most safe."

5. How To Keep Your Home Safe During The Holidays And Winter Season

December is the leading month for home fires in Perth, followed by January and February, according to data from the National Fire Protection Association Perth. Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and Christmas Eve are the three days when cooking fires are most likely to occur. The NFPA also reveals that candle fires are most likely to occur on Christmas Day, Christmas Eve, and New Year's Day. And

these aren't the only holiday hazards that can ruin your festive spirit. These are some of the Christmas holiday safety tips that can also carry you through the winter ahead.



Inspect Your Holiday Lights

Some people opt for stress-free holiday decoations, but you may have chosen to go all out. According to Dan Mock, vice president of operations at Mister Sparky, you should always check your holiday decorations to be sure they're not damaged. "Replacing broken or burned-out bulbs is important for safety and saves you the headache from having to do it next year." Also, any lights used outside should be rated for outdoor use.

Mock also recommends investing in LED holiday lights — since they don't use as much electricity, which can save you money on electricity costs.

Avoid Overloading Electrical Outlets

With so many decorations, lights, and extra appliances being used around the holidays, Brian Petranick, group president at Neighborly Repair Brands, warns that it's easy to overload your outlets. "Use surge protectors and limit the number of devices plugged into one outlet," he advises. And, if needed, Petranick recommends hiring a licensed electrician to install extra outlets, so you can avoid overloading your circuits and potentially starting a fire.

Another Christmas holiday safety tip: Mock adds that you should always use a power strip. "Plugging holiday lights into an outlet directly may result in electrical surges, and power strips also help decrease energy consumption," he explains.

Use Caution With Extension Cords

On the other hand, extension cords can come in handy, but they can also be a fire hazard if overloaded — and can also be a tripping hazard. "Make sure they're rated for indoor or outdoor use as needed, and never run them under rugs or furniture where they can overheat," Petranick says. He

recommends considering the use of smart plugs or smart power strips to manage electrical loads safely.

Inspect Your Electrical Panel

If you're planning to host a large gathering, Petranick recommends having your electrical panel inspected for any signs of wear or damage. "An outdated panel may not handle the increased load of holiday lighting and appliances, leading to blown fuses or possibly electrical fires," he explains. If you have any doubt regarding the condition of your panel, have a licensed electrician conduct a safety inspection.

Be Cautious With Space Heaters

If your home is drafty, or you're trying to save on heating costs, space heaters can come in handy, especially now that home maintenance costs can exceed \$10,000 a year. However, Petranick warns they can pose a fire risk if not used safely. "Keep them at least three feet away from flammable materials like curtains, blankets, and holiday decorations, and if you use a space heater, choose one with automatic shut-off features in case it tips over," he says.

Watch Candles Closely

Candles can be visually appealing, and also provide a delightful fragrance. However, the NFPA notes that candle fires tend to peak in December. In fact, year-round, 32% of home decoration fires are caused by candle fires – but that stat jumps to 46% in December. Never leave candles unattended, and be sure to keep them on a stable surface — at least 12 inches from flammable materials. The NFPA also recommends using battery-operated flameless candles instead.

Keep An Eye On What's Cooking

Cooking fires are the leading cause of home fires (44%), and ranges and cooktops account for 53% of home cooking fires. The NFPA notes that unattended cooking is the main cause of cooking fires. During the holidays, it's easy to be distracted by what's going on, but one of the most important Christmas holiday safety tips is to avoid stepping away from food that's cooking - and make sure that pot holders and other flammable material is placed at a safe distance.

Respect Your Sink Drain

During the holiday season, family members and friends may be helping you clear the dishes and clean up. Another Christmas holiday safety tip is to make sure they (and you, as well), know what can and cannot be put in your drain. According to Joe Mouawad, general manager at the Eastern Municipal Water District, in addition to water and dish soap, small food scraps are acceptable. "If you have a garbage disposal, you can toss in small bits of food, like vegetable peels or small scraps — just don't overdo it," he says.

However, Mouawad warns against FOG (fats, oils, and grease), because they can clog up your pipes. "Also, avoid things like coffee grounds, eggshells, and anything starchy, or fibrous like banana peels." While these items might seem harmless, he says they can clog up your plumbing down the line. "This can cause unpleasant smells, slow draining, a sink overflow, or in severe cases, a burst pipe." In addition, Mouawad says it can affect the health of your community's sewer system for the same reasons, though on a larger scale.

And there are other items that he's against pouring down the drain. "Avoid gravy and cheese sauces, and starches like rice or pasta, because they expand and block pipes — and avoid any non-food item like paper, chemicals or plastic."

For fats, oils, and grease, Mouawad recommends keeping an old container handy to pour these substances into, and when it's full, he says you should toss it in the trash. "For vegetable scraps or non-greasy leftovers, composting can be a great way to reduce waste — just skip the fatty bits," Mouawad says.

Don't Let Your Pipes Freeze

If you're traveling for the holidays, Joseph Wade, vice president of operations at Benjamin Franklin Plumbing, recommends leaving the heat on in your home. "If turned off, the drop in temperature can lead to frozen pipes and major damage to the plumbing of your home." However, he says there are plenty of reliable smart sensors and automatic shut off valves that can be installed by professionals to prevent this. "Consider purchasing one and consulting a local plumber this holiday season to have a line of defense — this type of technology can detect temperature changes and water in areas of the home where they shouldn't be."

Wade also recommends investing in heat tape, pipe sleeves or heat cables for active water lines or pipes that are exposed in the winter. "You can attempt to touch the pipes and feel for cold sections if trying to locate areas of concern — typical areas of trouble are the attic or basement," he says.

These Christmas holiday safety tips can keep your home safe through the holiday season and beyond.

6. How to Avoid Accidents while Cleaning the House?

Safety should be your topmost priority when sprucing up your home. Falls, muscle strains, musculoskeletal injuries, scalds, cuts, and joint dislocations are some of the most common injuries you may encounter during a house cleaning process. Of course, maintaining a healthy and hygienic indoor environment is crucial, but not at the cost of injury or accident.

Make sure you adhere to safety protocols, use well-maintained cleaning equipment and follow a proven method to tackle dirt, grime and stains from hard-to-reach areas or difficult spots.

Remember that cleaning high-rise windows, ceiling surfaces, etc., can pose serious threats. So, be mindful and consider the following tips to avoid accidents when cleaning the house. You can also hire experts for best vacate cleaning Perth for a hassle-free retrieval of your bond money. They come fully equipped with safety gear and follow proven techniques to deliver sparkling results.

1. Wear Safety Gear to Prevent Slips and Other Injuries

Start with basics and prefer wearing protective gear when cleaning your home. Here are a few things you should always wear:

Rubber gloves: They can protect your hands when using cleaning chemicals or tackling mould stains.

Face Masks: If you understand potential health effects of dust, you should always wear a surgical face mask when dusting surfaces or using cleaning products. This will protect you from allergies and other serious triggers.



Safety Goggles: These will protect your eyes from cleaning products and debris.

Comfortable Footwear: Never wear sandals, flip-flops, or slippers. Instead, wear good-quality shoes with rubber soles for extra sturdiness. This will prevent falls and slips.

2. Avoid Clutter & Stay Organised

Preventing accidents requires a clutter-free and organised approach. Before getting into the deep cleaning procedure, clear your floors by removing clutter and unwanted items, such as books, loose papers, magazines, toys, etc. Keep these items properly to ensure a clear path without any obstruction.

Do not forget to clean up pet messes and spills immediately from floors to avoid slipping. These simple things can prevent accidents and help you save cleaning time.

3. Safely Use Ladders When Cleaning High Surfaces

Removing dust, dirt and grime from high spots like ceiling walls, crown mouldings, light fixtures and fittings are the most common challenges of a DIY house cleaning. Do not stand on chairs, tables or other furniture piece to access the surface.

Instead, use sturdy ladders and step stools. Make sure you place it on a flat surface to prevent climbing accidents. Also, don't overreach or lean too far to one side. You can also use telescopic dusters that come with an extendable handle to reach nooks and crannies.

4. Properly Use Cleaning Products

Improper handling or mixing of cleaning chemicals can lead to potential accidents, such as chemical burns, respiratory problems, allergic reactions, and other health complications. Here are a few tips to keep in mind:

Always read labels and never mix different cleaning products. This can create toxic fumes, leading to respiratory disorders.

Make sure you safely handle cleaning chemicals and store them in a safe and secure place- away from kids and pets.

Use eco-friendly, non-toxic, and effective cleaning products. Clean your home with white vinegar, baking soda, castile soap, hydrogen peroxide, lemon, etc.

You can also hire professionals for a budget vacate cleaning Perth. Ask them to bring non-VOCs for stain and dirt removal tasks.

5. Follow the Right Lifting Techniques

Most injuries or accidents occur when you incorrectly lift heavy items during cleaning. It is important to protect your joints and muscles from injuries when lifting heavy items from the floor. All you need to do is to:

Bend your knees when lifting heavy objects

Keep items close to your body

Never twist your spine

Use your leg muscles to avoid injuries

Keep your back straight

6. Cleaning Equipment Safety is Must

Every homemaker should know how to use all cleaning equipment and gadgets to avoid accidents. Also, ensure you keep your vacuum cleaner, steam mops, and other tools clean and well-maintained. This will increase your cleaning efficiency and help you avoid unnecessary injuries. Try to use multi-purpose cleaning tools to save time and energy. This includes an old toothbrush, microfiber cloths, sponges, etc.

Note: Here is a list of essential cleaning supplies every homemaker should have for a shiny and spotless abode.

7. Baby-Proof Your Home When Cleaning

Make sure your home is safe for every family member, including kids and pets. Restrict access to unsafe or wet areas, such as bathrooms, kitchens, etc. You can even store cleaning products and tools in cabinets with a proper lock to avoid access. Believe it or not, small efforts can make a huge difference in preventing accidents and injuries.

8. Keep Emergency Items Handy

This includes a tiny first aid kit, batteries, flashlights and non-perishable food. Also, keep prescriptions and medications handy for allergies or pre-existing asthma symptoms. Remember that

safety always comes first. If you are concerned about the condition of your rental property, book experts for a professional vacate cleaning Perth. They follow a pre-approved checklist and adhere to safety protocols when sprucing up hard-to-reach spots and areas.

Accidents can happen anytime when cleaning your home. However, you need to be extra cautious and follow these tips to prevent falls, slips, climbing injuries and allergies. These simple tips can help you achieve a shiny abode without the threat of any potential injury.

7. Conclusion

Prioritising home safety is one of the most effective ways to protect your family and prevent avoidable accidents. By taking simple measures—like organising clutter, using safety gear, and properly maintaining appliances—you can create a secure living environment. In Perth, where active lifestyles and family-friendly homes are common, it's especially important to stay alert to everyday risks. Whether you're a homeowner or a renter, implementing these safety tips can make a big difference. Remember, a safe home is a happy home. With just a little effort, Perth residents can enjoy peace of mind and a healthier, safer living space for all.

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