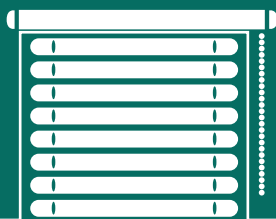


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BLIND AND CURTAIN CORDS

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Low hanging blind and curtain cords can be a strangulation risk to young children.

Think safety first with these helpful tips.

- **Keep out of reach**

Make sure children can't reach any blind or curtain cords, especially if they stand on the furniture. Don't let cords dangle into or near children's equipment. This includes cots (or portable cots), high chairs, playpens or anything else your child sits on, lies in or climbs on.

- **Avoid low hanging cords**

Make sure the bottom of any blind or curtain cord is at least 160 cm above the floor. Wrap blind cords securely around a hook attached high on the wall.

- **Install safety devices**

Install a cord tensioning device, such as cord holders and wind-ups, to hold the cord tight against the wall. Alternatively, retrofit the blind or curtain cord with breakaway tassels. Safety products can be bought from hardware or curtain shops.

- **Seek advice**

When installing new blinds, ask the supplier about safer products that use 'wands' or other non-corded window coverings.

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