



HOW TO PREVENT POISONING

- **ALWAYS** store poisonous products out of sight and reach of children, e.g. in a locked cupboard, high up where the children can't reach.
- **ALWAYS** safely store poisonous substances immediately after use.
- Remember that childproof containers are not 100% childproof.
- Keep handbags that contain medicines or cosmetics out of reach.
- Dispose of unnecessary medication safely and quickly.
- Do not share medication.
- **ALWAYS** read medicine instructions carefully and administer the prescribed dose.
- **ALWAYS** administer medicine in a well-lit room.
- **ALWAYS** keep a record of medicine administered.
- **NEVER** refer to medicines as sweets or lollies to make them more attractive.
- **ALWAYS** leave chemicals and detergents in their original containers; don't transfer them to cooldrink bottles.
- Keep loose batteries and battery-controlled devices away from children and place a piece of sticky tape over the battery case.
- Teach your children about the dangers of eating anything from the garden.

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DID YOU KNOW?

Children younger than five years of age are at risk because:

- They learn and explore by putting things in their mouth.
- They are unable to recognise bad odours and flavours.
- They are attracted to colourful packaging.
- They can't tell the difference between tablets and sweets.

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CHILDREN DON'T KNOW THE DIFFERENCE.
YOU DO.

WOOLWORTHS 

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KEEP KIDS FREE FROM HARM 



FIRST AID

POISONS

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| Acid | Iron tablets |
| Ammonia | Metal cleaners |
| Battery acid | Mineral turpentine |
| Button-sized batteries | Oil-based paint |
| Benzine | Oven cleaner |
| Camphorated oil | Paint remover |
| Caustic soda | Paraffin |
| Chlorine | Petrol |
| Condy's Crystals | Toilet cleaner |
| Dishwashing powder | Turpentine |
| Disinfectants | Varnish |
| Drain cleaner | Washing soda |
| Firelighters | White spirits |
| Hydrochloric acid | |

Do not make the child vomit. Do not give them anything to drink or eat. Take them to the hospital immediately and quickly.



KEEP GARAGES AND TOOL SHEDS LOCKED

POISONS

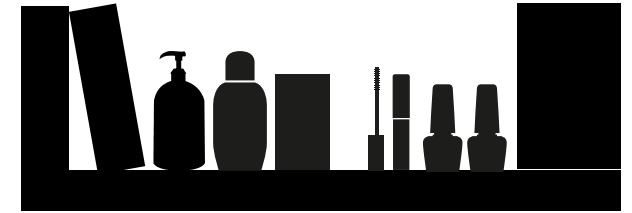
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| Bleach | Hair perm chemicals |
| Dishwashing liquid | Hair straighteners |
| Fabric dye | Hydrogen peroxide |
| Fabric softener | Milk fluoride tablets |
| Laundry detergents | Soap |
| Fertiliser | Window cleaner |
| Hair dye/colour | |

Do not make the child vomit. Immediately give them half a cup of milk or water. Contact your local poison centre.

POISONS

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| Alcohol | Perfume |
| Cosmetics | Shampoo |
| Deodorant | Vitamins |
| Glue | |

Give the child half a cup of water. Contact your local poison centre



KEEP ALL COSMETICS OUT OF REACH

POISONS

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| Aspirin | Paracetamol |
| Carbon tetrachloride | Pesticides |
| Cough syrup | Pills |
| Glue | Rat bait |
| Insect repellents | Snail bait |
| Insecticides | Tablets |
| Liniments | Weedkiller |
| Nail varnish remover | |

CHARCOAL MIXTURE

Infants: 1 g charcoal per kg of child's weight.
Children: Mix 15 – 30 g charcoal with 240 ml water.
Adults: Mix 50 – 100 g charcoal with 300 – 500 ml water.

Give the child active activated charcoal to absorb the poison. Contact the poison centre to take them to hospital.

COMMON POISONOUS SUBSTANCES AT HOME

- Medicine
- Plants, berries and mushrooms
- Cosmetics
- Inflammable liquids
- Household products
- Button-sized batteries
- Pesticides
- Alcohol

