

# Keep Your Family Safe From Household Chemicals



Chemicals you use in your home can be dangerous to your health and the environment. To keep your family safe, follow these safety tips when you use, store or throw them out.

## Use and Storage Tips



- Buy only the amount of product that you need.
- Follow the instructions on the product's label when you use and store it.

- Don't mix products. This can cause deadly fumes or cause a fire.
- Store products in their original containers.
- Store materials that can catch on fire away from your home.
- Only fill portable gasoline containers outdoors in an airy area. Make sure to place the container on the ground when you fill it.



- Never store materials that can cause a fire in direct sunlight or near an open flame or heat source.
- Store hazardous materials out of the reach of children and pets.
- Use guardrails and safety locks on shelves and cabinets when you store materials. This will prevent them from falling or tipping.



- Wear protective clothing, like gloves or goggles, if it is recommended by the manufacturer.

## Disposal Tips



- Follow the instructions on the label when you need to throw out the hazardous materials.
- Aerosol cans might contain chemicals that can burn. If you put them in the trash, they can be punctured and explode or start a fire.

- If you have a spill, clean the area and put the containers in an airy place. If you cannot control the spill, or are unsure about cleanup and disposal, call your local fire department.

