



BALCONY SAFETY FOR YOU & YOUR CHILDREN

A balcony is great for relaxing on and enjoying the view, but sometimes there are hazards that can make it a dangerous place for your children.

Follow these tips to help keep you and your children safe:

- Never leave children unsupervised on balconies.
- Height and designs of balconies may vary from country to country, so don't presume they are child (or even adult) friendly.
- Keep all balcony furniture away from the balcony wall or railings so that children are not encouraged to climb up them.
- Don't leave potential trip hazards on the balcony e.g. toys, buckets and spades etc.
- Be mindful of any gaps within the balcony structure. It may be possible for children to use these as a climbing frame or potentially slip through the gaps.
- Be aware that glass in balcony doors can be difficult to see in bright sunlight and at night – and very few hotels have “toughened” or safety glass in their windows, doors and panes.
- Before closing the door whilst on the balcony – check that there's a handle on the outside, so you can get back in.