

Buy A Box For Your Gun -- Not Your Kid!

Children and teens are at greatest risk of accidental gun deaths, injuries and suicides.

Did you know?

- For every gun death it is estimated that at least five non fatal injuries occur.
- Nearly all accidental shooting deaths occur in or around the home.
- Most accidental gun injuries and suicides involve guns that have been kept loaded and accessible to children and teens.

Why?

- Nearly half of U.S. homes have some type of firearm. One in four have a handgun.
- It is estimated that up to 80% of children know where the gun is kept.
- Most accidental gun injuries occur while playing with loaded handguns found in the victim's home or the home of a relative or friend.

What can gun owners do?

- Store handguns in a lockbox with push button lock.
- Use trigger locks for rifles and shotguns.
- Understand that teaching children not to touch is **NOT** enough.
- Keep guns locked and away from children and teens.
- Ask family and friends to use these same safe storage practices.

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