

## Window Cord Safety

### Safety is Our Primary Concern!

#### Repair or Replace Pre-2001 Window Treatments

How safe are the window treatments in your home? As of 2001, the entire window coverings industry has improved the safety of blinds and shades by adding these enhancements to all products:

- Tension pulleys and tie-down devices in all continuous-loop pull cords
- Tassel ends on lift cords
- Cord stops on horizontal blind lift cords that prevent user from pulling internal cords through the slats
- For a free retrofit kit, contact the Window Coverings Safety Council via the web at [www.windowcoverings.org](http://www.windowcoverings.org) or by phone at 1-800-506-4636.

#### Important Cord Safety Guidelines

The Window Covering Safety Council urges parents and caregivers to check all windowed areas of the home for potential window cord hazards and make the necessary safety updates:

- Install only cordless window coverings in young children's bedrooms and sleeping areas. Replace window blinds, corded shades and draperies manufactured before 2001 with today's safer products.
- Repair window blinds, corded shades and draperies manufactured before 2001 with retrofit cord repair devices or replace them with products made to the current safety standards.
- Move all cribs, beds, furniture and toys away from windows and window cords, preferably to another wall.
- Keep all window pull cords and inner lift cords out of children's reach. Make sure that tasseled pull cords are short and continuous-loop cords are permanently anchored to the floor or wall. Make sure cord stops are properly installed and adjusted to limit movement of inner lift cords.
- Lock cords into position whenever horizontal blinds or shades are lowered, including when they come to rest on a window sill.



Keep Your Family Safe



<b>Springs Window Fashions Window Treatments Safety Features</b>	Vertical Blinds	Aluminum Horizontal Blinds	Wood Blinds	Faux Wood Blinds	Cellular Shades	Pleated Shades	Roller/ Solar Shades
<b>Cord Cleats</b> Option available with all window coverings that have lift cords. Cords are anchored to wall, out of reach of children and pets.		•	•	•	•	•	•
<b>Control Wand</b> Eliminates the need for cords and chains to traverse vertical blinds.	•						
<b>Cordless Lift System</b> Lift cords are eliminated for increased safety and a streamlined appearance		•	•		•	•	•
<b>Cordless Bottom Up/Top Down</b> Combines two popular options into one — shade lowers from top or raises from bottom without exterior cords.					•		
<b>Continuous-loop Lift System</b> Cords are kept at a constant length and held taut by a safety hold-down device.					•	•	•

