Baby Proofing - By Stan's Prop

## Professional Baby / Child proofing

Having brought up a child I share your commitment to baby safety. My aim is to assist you in providing a safe environment for your babies and toddlers to explore safely, providing you with peace of mind.

Making your home as safe as possible is not only about being vigilant and attentive but also looking for potential dangers in each room to ensure any necessary changes can be made. Having worked heavily in the construction industry for many years, and completing formal training in Risk Assessment, the assessment and fitting of some systems is something I can help with. Some of the things to consider are:

- Furniture straps or securing systems

Items such as TV's can be easy to pull over and can be secured easily in most cases by simple restraining straps. Check all of your heavy furniture such as wardrobes, draws to see if they could easily be pulled over.

- Wiring and Power Supply cords

Many of the electrical items around the house are normally connected to sockets by power cords which don't normally present a problem. To a baby or toddler they can be easily accessible to grab hold of when in reach. Tidy them up and where possible hide them, and fit plug socket covers if necessary.

- Unit, Cupboard and Window's

Locks, latches', can be great in securing draws, units etc. Kitchen's and Bathrooms can be especially hazardous for little ones. There are many systems available that can be both practical and discreet.

- Stairs

Stairs present a specific risk and should be a priority. Stair Gates should be fitted at both the top and bottom of the stairs. Many types are available and can be fitted with ease.

Whilst we are talking about stairs, we shouldn't over look the banister! Older stair case banisters may have had a larger gap in-between the spindles. Some of these gaps could be big enough for a tiny body that is flexible to squeeze through. Any doubt you should consider fitting a banister guard.

- Fire's and Radiators

More and more homes are having log burners which present the same risks as other fire's and radiators. There are a number of options available such as free standing and secured.

- Curtains, blinds and tie backs

Curtain or blind pull cords can be tempting for little ones to grab hold of and play with. It could be all too easy for them to get tangled in the cords so it makes good sense to adjust these so they are out of reach or where possible cut them to make them shorter.

We can help with advise and fitting on all of the above.

