Why Gun Safety Matters

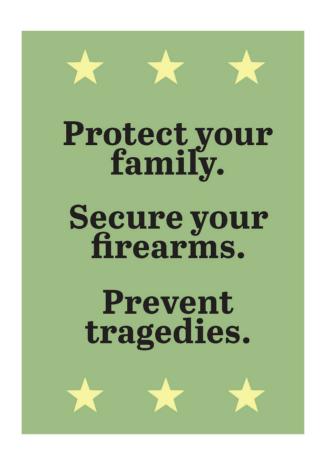
Every year, tragic incidents involving firearms and children occur because guns were not stored properly.



As a parent or guardian, ensuring that firearms are secured and inaccessible to children is not just a responsibility - it's a necessity.



Protecting your family and others starts with knowing how to store and handle guns safely.



For more info:



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GUN SAFETY FOR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS



PROTECTING OUR CHILDREN AND COMMUNITIES



Be a responsible parent and gun owner

As parents, it's our duty to ensure the safety of our children and those around them. Secure your firearms today, educate your children, and avoid becoming a statistic in preventable tragedies. Remember, the law holds us accountable for the actions we take-or fail to take-when it comes to firearm safety.

Gun Safety at Home

ALWAYS LOCK YOUR FIREARMS

Store guns in a locked container, like a safe or lockbox Use gun locks to prevent accidental discharge Keep ammunition separate from firearms

EDUCATE YOUR CHILDREN



Emphasize that guns are not toys
If they find a gun, they should not touch it and
tell an adult immediately

Treat guns as dangerous at all times, even when unloaded

* REGULAR SECURITY CHECKS

Ensure safes, lockboxes, and gun locks are secure and in working order

Review safety protocols with everyone in the household

KNOW YOUR CHILD'S ENVIRONMENT

Ensure firearms in homes your child visits are securely stored

Discuss gun safety practices with family and friends to help protect your child.

Criminal Consequences

As awareness increases regarding the dangers of unsecured firearms, legislation is evolving to address these concerns. In numerous states, parents can now face criminal charges if their children access an unsecured gun and subsequently harm themselves or others.





Negligence Laws:

Allowing a child to access a firearm can lead to charges of child neglect, carrying serious legal consequences, including imprisonment.

Civil Liability:

Parents can be held financially responsible for damages caused by their child with an unsecured qun.



Gun Locks Available for Free