

Pressure Mounted Safety Gate Tips for Keeping Your Child Safe

WARNING – Did you know? Older gates manufactured **before 1990** do not meet Canadian government safety standards and are **not safe**. Why? These accordion style gates have wide V-shaped openings along the top or large diamond-shaped openings that could trap a child's head or neck. If you have an accordion style gate, you should throw it out and immediately.

Tips:

Put together and use your pressure mounted gate according to manufacturer's instructions.

Pressure gates should be used at the **bottom of your stairs** to **stop children under the age of two**, from climbing up the stairs and falling down.

Pressure gates may also be used in doorways or hallways to prevent your child from leaving or entering a room.

Do not use at the **top of stairs**. A pressure mounted gate may not be able to hold up against a child leaning or pushing against it, causing both of them to fall down the stairs. Instead, put in a hardware wall mounted safety gate at the top of stairs.

Select a gate that is recommended for your child's age. Many baby gates are unsafe for children over two years of age.

Do not use a gate if you're child is trying to climb over it. Instead, your child will need close supervision to keep them safe.