Helpful Tips for Installing Safety Gates

If you are installing a safety gate in any location other than a wood framed doorway you will need one installation kit for each side of your gate. Our Gate Mount Kits are designed for use with hardware mounted gates only.

Once gates are installed they should always remain closed since an open gate is a safety hazard for both toddlers and adults. Check the hardware frequently after installation to make sure it is secure. Remember: safety gates are not a replacement for adult supervision. Always keep a close eye on young children and follow manufacturer's directions concerning use and removal of safety gates.

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Kit Contents

or behind the other.

2 clamp fronts 2 clamp backs 4 bolts 2 wood blocks for inserting into clamp fronts 2 interlocking shims

2 round post adapters 2 finish washers 2 - 1½" screws 2 - $1\rlap{\sc 34}{"}$ screws-only for use with shims

1 - 36" long 1" x 2" wood **Mounting Instructions** Post Style: Square Top/Square Bottom 1. Read the manufacturer's instructions before installing any safety gate. Note that most gates are made up of two parts: the hinged side and the latched side. In order for your gate to be straight it may be necessary to adjust the vertical pieces of wood from being positioned directly across from each other to positioning one piece of wood slightly forward

2. Insert wood blocks into clamp fronts. This must be done so that the mount is secure.

3. Attach the lower clamp at floor level or as close as possible to the floor using two of the bolts provided (Fig. 1). Tighten each screw one or two turns at a time so tension is the same on both sides. Be sure not to over tighten as this may mar the post or damage the mount.

4. Repeat this procedure to attach the upper clamp (Fig. 2).

5. Now that your clamps are attached, place the vertical piece of wood against both clamps and using a level, check to make sure the wood is straight (Fig. 3). Before proceeding, refer to gate manufacturer's instructions to make sure that the attachment of the vertical piece of wood to the top clamp does not interfere with the placement of the gate's hinge or latch. If it does, you may raise or lower the clamp to the appropriate height. (Note: If you are unable to attach the top clamp to the square part of your post, see instructions for mounting to posts that are round at the top and square at the bottom.)

6. Drill a $\frac{5}{2}$ " hole through the vertical piece of wood but only partially into the clamp. Use one 1½" screw and one finish washer to attach the vertical piece of wood to the top and bottom of the clamp.

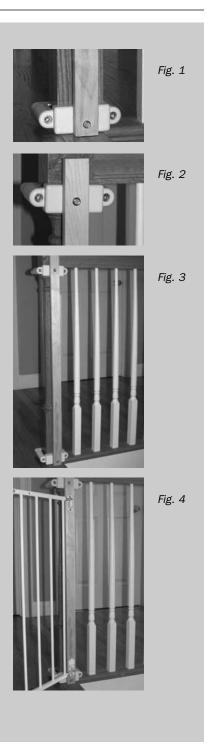
7. Install your gate to the wood mount using the safety gate's hardware (Fig. 4).

8. Cut off any extra wood that extends above the top mount providing it is not necessary for the mounting of your gate. Sand to smooth rough edges.

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2. Insert wood blocks into clamp fronts. This must be done so that the mount is secure.

3. Attach the lower clamp at floor level or as close as possible to the floor using two of the bolts provided (Fig. 1). Tighten each screw one or two turns at a time so tension is the same on both sides. Be sure not to over tighten as this may mar the post or damage the mount.

4. Place upper clamp front and back around post and tighten screws one or two turns, just enough to hold entire clamp with one hand. Insert round post adapters into the clamp with inside arrows facing up. Tighten each screw one or two turns at a time so tension is same on both sides (Fig. 2). *Be sure not to over tighten as this may mar the post.*

5. Place the vertical piece of wood against both clamps and using a level, check to make sure the wood is perpendicular to the floor and straight. You may use one or both of the shims at either the top or the bottom to make any necessary adjustments. Before proceeding, refer to gate manufacturer's instructions to make sure that the attachment of the vertical piece of wood to the top clamp does not interfere with the placement of the gate's hinge or latch. If it does, you may raise or lower the clamp to the appropriate height.

6. To install the vertical piece of wood to the clamps (Fig. 3), drill a $\frac{5}{2}$ " hole through the vertical piece of wood (and shims if used) but only partially into the clamp. Use one $1\frac{1}{2}$ " screw and one finish washer to attach the vertical piece of wood to the top and bottom of the clamp. *If you used the shims you will need to use the longer* $1\frac{3}{4}$ " screws for your *installation.*

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9. Cut off any extra wood that extends above the top mount providing it is not necessary for the mounting of your gate. Sand to smooth rough edges.

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Fig. 2 Round post adapters



Fig. 4

