

# SAFETY ADDENDUM

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ PROPERTY NAME / NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
 RESIDENT NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_  
 UNIT \_\_\_\_\_  
 NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ and all others.  
 CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

**WARNING!!** Many areas of the apartment property may pose dangers to unattended children who may not be aware of the risks. The landlord and its agents can not be responsible for watching and supervising children's activities. Various state and federal laws prohibit the landlord from imposing rules and regulations which discriminate against children. THEREFORE, PARENTS AND THOSE PERSONS HAVING CARE, CUSTODY OR CONTROL OF CHILDREN ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SUPERVISION, SAFETY AND WELL-BEING OF THOSE CHILDREN. Following are some areas that may pose special dangers to children. This list is not meant to cover all possible dangers that may be present.

### WINDOWS

- Open windows present a potential risk of harm to children.
- Window screens are intended solely to keep bugs out. They are not intended to support a person's weight or prevent a person from falling from an open window.
- There is a risk of serious injury or death if a person leans against a screen.
- Parents must keep their children from sitting or playing on window sills, and keep windows shut and locked when children are left unattended for child safety.
- Keep furniture and other objects on which a child can climb away from windows.
- Window stops and other devices that restrict a window from opening are not provided by the landlord because of the dangers associated with fire and the ability of occupants to escape. If the tenant desires to use such devices, they must be approved by the landlord before being installed. The tenant accepts full responsibility for the safe use of such devices.
- Do not block windows in any way that would prevent exit in the event of a fire.

### USE OF APPLIANCES

- Stoves, ovens and fireplaces can cause burns and start fires if not properly used and attended.
- Hot water can cause burns if not properly used and attended.
- Children can turn on stove burners and ovens. Never place anything on stove burners or in the oven except when actually cooking.
- Never allow anything, except approved plugs, to be placed in electrical sockets.

### PARKING LOTS

- Moving vehicles can cause serious injury or death.
- Small children are hard to see around vehicles.
- Riding bicycles, tricycles, skate boards, etc. in the parking areas increases the risk to children because they may not be able to control their movements and are not easily seen.
- Playing in or around vehicles is dangerous.

### DUMPSTERS / TRASH COMPACTORS

- Dumpsters can move or fall, causing injury or death.
- Trash or items in the dumpster can fall, causing injury or death.
- Trash in or around the dumpster may contain dangerous items such as broken glass, chemicals, sharp objects.
- Trash compactors include machinery that can cause serious injury or death if improperly used.

### EXERCISE EQUIPMENT

- Improper use of exercise equipment can lead to serious injury or death.
- Improper use of exercise equipment can cause serious damage to the equipment.

### SWIMMING POOLS, SPAS AND SAUNAS

- State laws limit the use of pools, spas and saunas by children unless supervised. All residents must follow such laws.

### WATER

- Any location where water pools more than 1 inch deep poses the risk of drowning.
- Danger can be present with bathtubs, sinks, buckets, fountains, streams, ponds.

### BALCONIES, DECKS, SECOND STORY WALKWAYS

- Small children can crawl through railings.
- No one should climb on or over railings.
- Throwing objects off balconies, decks and walkways can cause injury or death to persons below.
- Do not place furniture or other objects on which a child can climb near railings.
- Keep all stairways clear of debris or obstructions.
- Report any damaged or loose railings to management immediately.

### PLAY AREAS

- Improper use of play equipment can cause injury or death.
- Any damaged or improperly working play equipment should be reported to management immediately.

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