better living through safe laundry practices

By following some quick and easy steps, doing laundry can be safer for your entire household. Print this flyer and post it by your washer, so that everyone doing laundry knows how to best use and store the products that keep your family’s clothes clean and fresh.

Choose to do laundry at the right time when you can give it your full attention without distractions.

Do not use empty product containers for storing any other materials.

Never combine laundry detergent with other cleaning products.

Keep products in their original containers with the label intact.

Keep laundry products out of the reach of children and pets.

Wash your hands and any items used to dispense or measure laundry products after use.

Read and follow product instructions with close attention to “Caution,” “Warning,” “Danger” or “Poison” statements.

Clean up product spills immediately.

Always close the laundry detergent container, box, bottle or pouch immediately after use.

Questions about laundry products? Call the manufacturer using the toll free number on the product label or visit their website for more information.

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Organizing your laundry room not only keeps it looking clean, it is one quick and easy way to keep you and your family safe. Use this checklist when you are organizing your laundry room, doing spring cleaning or just need a quick review of safety tips.

**Storing Products**
- Our laundry products are kept out of the reach of our children and pets.
- Our products are in their original containers, with their labels intact.
- After we use products, they are immediately closed and put away in their appropriate storage location.

**Using Products**
- We make a conscious effort to do laundry without any distractions because we give it our full attention.
- When doing laundry, we follow all recommended product instructions, and pay close attention to all “Caution,” “Warning,” “Danger,” or “Poison” statements.
- We clean up any spills immediately after they occur.
- After we finish doing laundry, we always wash our hands as well as all items used to dispense or measure products.
- We do not combine laundry detergents with other cleaning products.
- We always recycle empty laundry containers when possible or dispose of them properly.

**Following Product Use**
- We do not use containers of empty detergent to store any other materials.

Always read product safety information on the package so that you know what to do before accidents happen.

Laundry product labels contain first aid information and are a valuable resource for consumers. Read and follow all recommended instructions on the product label prior to use. Knowing what to do if an accident occurs is important.

Make it a point to keep the Poison Control Center phone number handy. It is 1-800-222-1222.

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For more information, visit cleaninginstitute.org. Under the “Clean Living” tab, click on “Laundry.” You’ll find helpful fact sheets and safety tips for laundry.