

# GUN SAFETY

## THE FACTS

Children as young as age 3 can pull the trigger of most guns. Before age 8, few children can tell the difference between real or toy guns or fully understand the consequences of their actions. Follow these gun safety tips to prevent a needless tragedy.

Visit [www.lebonheur.org/safekids](http://www.lebonheur.org/safekids) for more safety information.

## SAFETY TIPS

**SAFE KIDS RECOMMENDS IF THERE ARE CHILDREN IN THE HOME, THAT THERE ARE NO GUNS. BUT IF YOU MUST KEEP GUNS:**

- Use a gun safe. Hiding guns is not enough - never store guns in a dresser, couch, closet, automobile, purse or anywhere a child might find them.
- Keep all guns unloaded and locked out of reach.
- Store bullets in a separate, locked place.
- Before you send your child to someone else's house, ask if there is a gun in their home. Then make sure safety precautions are followed there, too.
- Teach your child never to touch a gun and to get an adult if they find a gun.

## GET THE GEAR!

### FEATURED ITEM - GUN LOCK

- Where to get it - Hardware stores, discount stores, local police departments
- Cost - \$10.00 to \$35.00



**Use a Gun Lock**