



The British Blind and Shutter Association

The BBSA is Britain's only trade association representing companies that manufacture and supply interior and exterior blinds, awnings, security grills and shutters. The BBSA is leading the development of the child safety aspects of the only European Standard for internal blinds (EN 13120). All BBSA members have to comply with the child safety aspects of this standard and a number of non-members have committed to this requirement through the make it safe campaign.

You can see much more safety information, including a video at: www.makeitsafe.org.uk

The CEN official standard EN 13120

"Complete elimination of the strangulation risk can only be achieved by keeping cords, chains, and tapes and similar out of the reach of children. Use of additional safety devices may reduce the risk of strangulation but cannot be considered foolproof. Motorisation eliminates the risk associated with looped and pull-cord operating mechanisms but the risk relating to inner tapes and cords (for relevant products) remains. Persons in charge of children are ultimately responsible for following the safety instructions provided by the manufacturer."

Advice supported by RoSPA

RoSPA's mission is to save lives and reduce injuries in all areas of life and has achieved significant changes through its campaigning work over the 90 years since its inception. www.rospa.com

Advice supported by the Child Accident Prevention Trust

A leading UK charity working to reduce the number of children and young people killed, disabled or seriously injured in accidents. www.capt.org.uk

Your local BBSA member or approved supplier is:

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See window blind safety video on www.makeitsafe.org.uk



make it safe!

Reduce the risk from looped blind cords and chains. This leaflet will show you how

