



Burn Awareness Week

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Matches and Lighters are Tools not Toys! - Grade 4 / 5

Store Flammable Liquids Safely!

Store flammable liquids in an approved container specifically designed for such liquids. Metal containers are best. Do not use glass containers. If plastic is your choice, make certain it is of a type approved for such use. Store flammables in a well-ventilated area, separate from the living portion of the home—preferably in a storage building apart from the house.

Keep all hazardous products locked up and out of the reach of children. Read the labels on all flammable liquid containers and observe the precautions as indicated. Make certain all flammables are kept well away from ignition or flame sources. Be aware of spark producing equipment such as pilot lights, cigarettes, matches or lighters. Remember that many flammable liquid vapours can be ignited by a distant flame or spark.

Refuel gas-powered equipment outdoors and only after the equipment has cooled down (lawn mowers, leaf blowers etc.). Always use flammable liquids in a well-ventilated area to prevent a concentration of their highly flammable and often toxic vapours.

Flammable Liquids give off vapours and fumes that can easily explode or burn. Use the pictures to help you fill in the blanks and complete the missing words in each safety message.

1. Flammable liquids are best kept in metal or in approved plastic _____.



2. Smoking near flammable liquids can cause an _____.



3. _____ vapours are extremely dangerous.



4. _____ has only one purpose—to fuel an engine and should only be stored outside the house.



5. The _____ from flammable liquids can explode near fire or heat.



6. _____ should not be added to a charcoal fire after it is started.



Answers: 1. containers 2. explosion 3. Nail polish remover 4. Gasoline 5. vapours 6. Fuel

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