

Hazard: Collision & Entrapment

Identity of Hazard(s): Risks of physical injury from trapping body parts in architectural features, such as trapping limbs or fingers in doors or windows; and colliding with objects such as architectural glazing windows, doors, low ceilings and walls.¹

Primary Health Outcome(s): Bruises, Sprains, Fractures, Head and Spinal Injury¹

Health Alert! The most common type of door accident involves a door shutting on, or trapping, part of a body. Collisions with doors is next most common. Most accidents, particularly a door shutting on part of the body, involve children aged 9 years and under.¹

Gain Control: Actions You Can Take¹

- Window opening lights should not project over pathways to obstruct the passage of those using the path
 - Doors and windows should be maintained in repair, with particular attention to items such as cords, to avoid increasing the risk of the occurrence. Self-closers on doors should be adjusted so as not to cause over-vigorous closing
 - Safety glazing should be provided in doors and windows in vulnerable locations
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Local Resources for Detroit Residents:

- If renting, call Detroit Buildings, Safety Engineering and Environmental Department (BSEED): (313) 628-2451
- Detroit Planning and Development Department (CDBG Home Repair Program): (313) 224-3461
 - Must be homeowner with homeowners insurance and be current on property taxes
- Young Detroit Builders (for low cost carpentry): (313) 964-2763

¹http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=operating_guidance_hhrs_v1.pdf