



Diy Safety: Things To Keep In Mind When Taking On Home Improvement Projects Yourself

These tips will help you stay safe while making improvements to your home.

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It's easy to watch home improvement shows on TV and think to yourself, "I could do that!" Well, we hate to break it to you, but not everything you see on TV is as easy as it looks. However, that doesn't mean that DIY home improvement projects are impossible! That's why ESTATENVY rounded up some tips to help you stay safe when trying to tackle them.

Have a First Aid Kit Handy

Before you start any home improvement projects, make sure your first aid kit is stocked with all the proper necessities and can be accessed at any moment. If you don't have a first aid kit,

make sure to buy one before you start doing any work.

Don't Work Alone

It's always smart to have an extra pair of eyes and hands around the workplace. This comes in hand especially when your projects require you to carry heavy objects or use a tall ladder.

Always Wear Protective Eyewear

Wearing protective eyewear when doing any home improvement project is always a good idea. But you should definitely be wearing them when you're demoing a room, breaking down walls, tearing up wood floors or working with breakable materials. You never know when something can break off and suddenly fly into your face while working on a project.

Read the Labels on Everything You Use

If you're unfamiliar with a lot of the products that you've bought from your local hardware store, always make sure to read the labels beforehand. Some chemicals require you to clear the room after use due to the negative effects it could have if you breathe it in.

Keep Your Workspace Clean

A clean workspace is much safer workspace than one with clutter and tools scattered around. Make sure to clean up your space at the end of each day so sharp tools don't get lost in the clutter or left out for children to play with.

Never Try to do your Own Electrical Work

Always leave rewiring and electrical work to the professionals. Even if you can look up how to do it yourself online, it's better to call a professional to come help. One cut of the wrong wire could leave you and your home in big danger.

When in Doubt, Hire a Professional

"My best remodeling advice is to hire a professional who's licensed, insured" and provides a warranty, said Ariel Darmoni, Operations Manager at [123 Remodeling](#). "If they make a mistake, they're covered and it can be fixed."