

# Chemical Safety

## What are chemicals?

The chemicals we are talking about today are the ones found in a lot of homes like washing up liquid, floor cleaner or spray and wipe.



## Why do we use chemicals?

Chemicals can be helpful in the home to clean things in:

### Bathrooms



### Kitchens



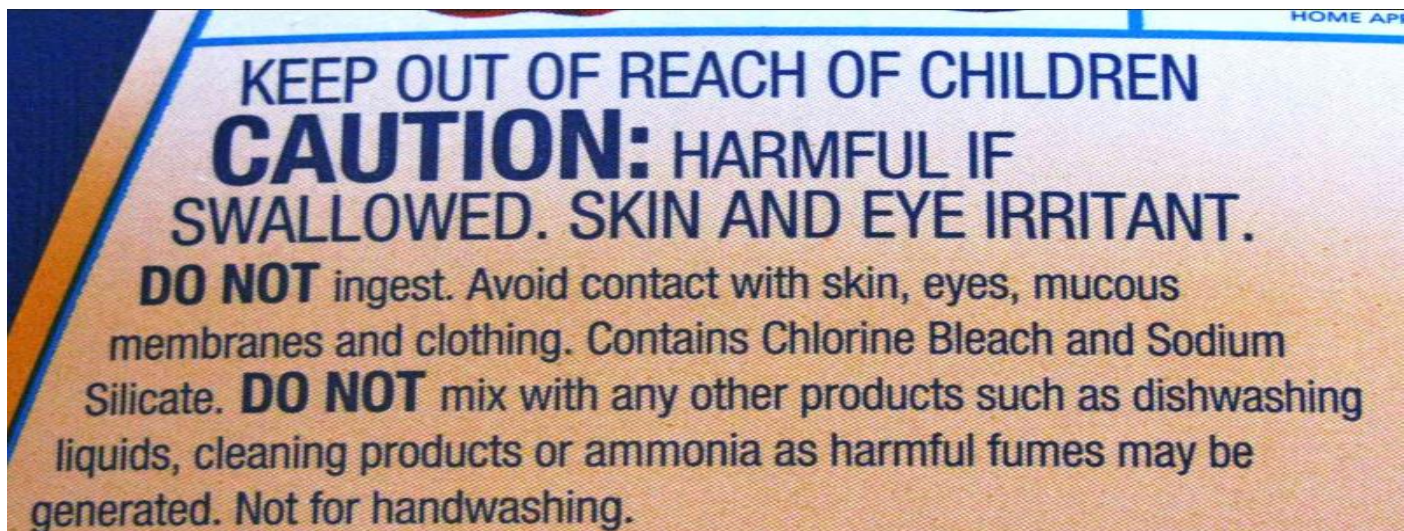
and other things like floors and high touch point surfaces.



## Staying Safe when using products containing chemicals

Chemicals may need to be stored away to keep everyone safe until they are used again.

Some chemicals can be harmful to our health and require us to use protection to keep safe. Things like oven cleaner are highly toxic if fumes are breathed in and can be responsible for burns if swallowed. So can button batteries. To keep safe it may be better to not use these items.



## Warning labels

Sometimes the chemicals have pictures on the label to warn us or tell us how to be safe.



HEALTH HAZARD



FLAME



EXCLAMATION MARK

## PPE

To keep safe some chemicals tells us to use PPE, which stands for Personal Protective clothing and Equipment. An example of PPE is to put on dishwashing gloves when we do the dishes. This makes sure that our hands aren't made itchy or sore from the dishwashing liquid.

Be safe around chemicals, store it safely, wear PPE if needed and if chemicals are past their use by date they should be disposed of as directed on the manufacturer's instructions.

If you're not sure ask your support worker!