



Secure electronics

Why

- ▶ Prevents injury, damage, and fire risk caused by falling or shifting electronics during shaking. Falling electronics, like televisions, have caused injury and deaths in past earthquakes.

How

- ▶ Use straps, brackets, or fasteners to secure TVs, computers, and speakers to stable surfaces or walls. If they sit on furniture, anchor both the equipment and the furniture to the wall or floor.
- ▶ Always use seismic-rated mounts and attach them to structural elements like wall studs, not just drywall or plaster.
- ▶ Avoid placing heavy items above beds, couches, or other areas where people sit or sleep.

How to Identify

- ▶ Check for any electronics that could fall, slide, or topple during shaking—especially heavy or wall-mounted devices. Complete a home earthquake safety checklist or consult with a seismic safety professional who can help spot risks and identify solutions.