Step 1: Secure Your Space

The Seven Steps to Earthquake Safety



Earthquake shaking can move almost anything, even large or heavy items. Imagine your home or workplace being shaken by an earthquake sideways and up-and-down — what could be thrown around? **How can you prevent it?**





START NOW by moving furniture such as bookcases away from beds, sofas, or other places where people sit, sleep, or spend a lot of time. Move heavy objects to lower shelves and secure bookcases to walls. Then continue your "hazard hunt" to help identify and fix things such as unsecured televisions, computers, furniture, water heaters, etc. Use the chart below to list what you need to secure these items and plan how to get it done. Guidance for how to secure most items is at EarthquakeCountry.org/step1.

Item to Secure or Move	Location	How	Who	When











