



Hot tap water most serious burn by liquid

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Did you know that you could receive third-degree burns - the most severe of burns - from tap water that is too hot?

Hot tap water burns cause more deaths and hospitalizations than burns from any other liquid, according to Children's Hospital Boston. It also reports the majority of children (64 percent) ages 4 and under, who are hospitalized for burn-related injuries, suffer from scalding burns.

A new product, HotStop from American Valve, can help prevent this problem. Just replace your existing shower head and tub spout with a HotStop shower head, hand shower and tub shower.

When hot water reaches an unsafe temperature, there is a temperature valve within the faucets that quickly triggers the reduction of water flow to a trickle to avoid scalding. Once the water in the line cools, the flow starts back up automatically - usually in less than 30 seconds.

HotStop not only installs in minutes, it requires no special tools or plumbing expertise. And if you move, you can take your fixtures with you.

The line of products includes tub spouts (with and without diverters), shower heads and hand showers. All come with a 10-year warranty and easy-to-follow instructions for installation, operation, care and cleaning.

Prices for HotStop fixtures range from \$24 to \$39.

For more information, call (877) 531-7470 or visit www.hotstop.com or www.americanvalve.com.

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STOP THE SCALD When water reaches an unsafe temperature, HotStop quickly reduces the water flow to a trickle to avoid scalding.



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