

Secure Your Furniture

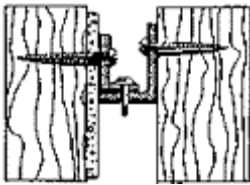
All furniture waist-high and above should be bolted to the wall to minimize injury during an earthquake.

Materials Needed

- Cabinet latches
- Brackets
- Lag Screws
- Flathead screws
- Wood trim
- Small nails or brads
- Screw hooks

Tools Needed

- Screwdriver
- Hammer
- Pliers
- Crescent wrench

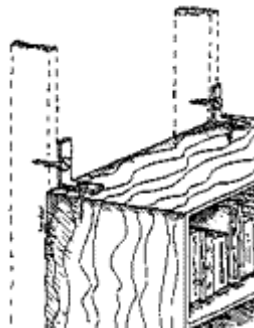
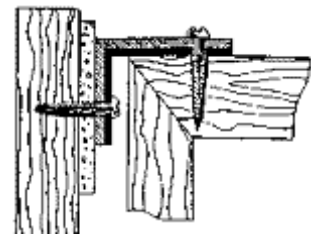


Cabinets

Install positive catching latches. Many variations are available at hardware stores.

Tall Furniture

Install metal L brackets between furniture and wall stud at top. (The L bracket can be installed inverted so it will be hidden from view.)



Open Shelves

Install guards across shelves, or wood trim on front of shelves. Place heavy objects on lower shelves.

Hanging Pictures

Screw hooks into wood members only (stud or ceiling joists). Bend hooks closed to prevent pictures from falling.



For More Information

For more information, contact Kitsap County Department of Emergency Management (360) 616-5870, the state's Emergency Management office in Olympia (800) 562-6108 or West Sound Chapter, [American Red Cross](#) (360) 377-3761.

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