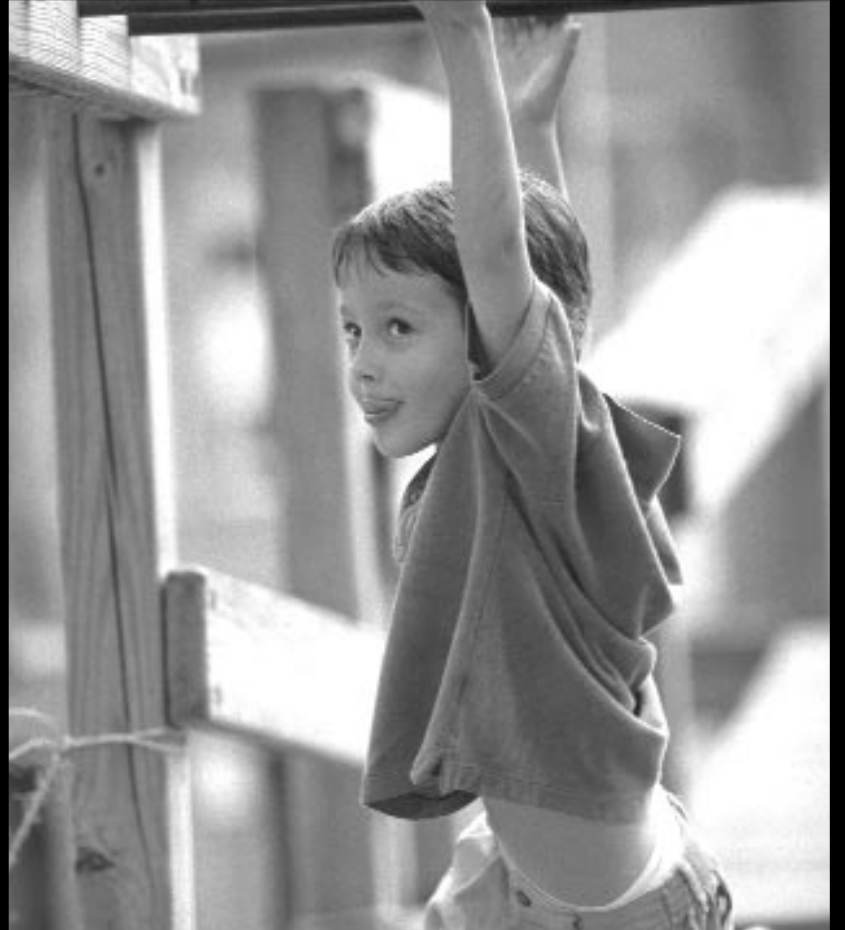


If Arsenic-Treated Wood is Too Toxic for Zoo Animals...



Why Does



Think it's Safe for Your Kids?

From the Bronx Zoo to the San Diego Zoo, wood products treated with arsenic have been banned as "unsafe for animals."

Why is Home Depot still selling these products to American families?

The nation's largest home improvement chain sells "pressure treated" lumber soaked in a pesticide called chromated copper arsenate (CCA). It's used on patio decks, outdoor furniture, even swing sets and playgrounds.

Everyone knows arsenic can kill you. Studies show that kids ingest arsenic when it rubs off of these products and onto their hands. The National Research Council says that ingestion of arsenic, even at low levels, is indisputably linked to skin, bladder and lung

cancer, and that there are strong links to diabetes, high blood pressure, reproductive and respiratory problems.

Many reputable playground manufacturers no longer use arsenic-treated wood. The Consumer Product Safety Commission is considering a ban. Yet despite all of this evidence, Home Depot continues to keep its head in the sand.

Next time you're at Home Depot, please ask the manager to stop putting arsenic in your wood. Don't monkey around with your family's health.

[Lab tests on Home Depot lumber show alarming levels of arsenic contamination. See our web sites for details and information on inexpensive home testing kits.]