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Avoid them to make your home safe and comfortable for the long term!



SELECTING IMPRACTICAL HARDWARE

MAKE DOORS STYLISH **AND** EASY TO OPEN

Lever handles and D-shaped pulls on doors and cabinets let you open them with arthritic hands or an armful of packages.

NOT ADDING MORE LIGHT FIXTURES

GIVE OLDER EYES THE LIGHT THEY NEED

Our eyes need twice as much light at age 60 than they did at 20. Make sure you have plenty of light, especially task lighting.



NOT REVISING FLOOR LEVEL CHANGES

SIMPLIFY THINGS TO PREVENT FALLS

Stepping up or down from one room to another can present tripping hazards for people with vision or mobility challenges.

NOT THINKING AHEAD

BUILD IN FUTURE ADAPTABILITY

Reinforce shower walls, widen hallways and upgrade your first-floor bathroom. You'll be grab bar and wheelchair-ready going forward.



IGNORING THE EXTERIOR

MAKE COMING AND GOING EASY AND SAFE

Long-time friendships and activities are key reasons to age in place. Add handrails and outdoor lighting so you'll continue to get out and socialize.

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