

The impact of high-rise litter

Everyday items might seem harmless enough to residents living in high-rise blocks. But when thrown from height, these items can reach speeds of up to 120kmh. Abigail Ng speaks to experts on the impact of killer litter on innocent passers-by.

Impact of items

- A football can reach 90kmh when thrown from the 20th floor and will cause serious injury if it hits someone's neck.



- Trash bags full of rubbish can cause serious harm especially if they contain hard objects like bottles or metal objects. Even rubbish bags filled with scrap food and paper can kill or seriously injure if thrown from the 10th storey or higher.



- A 10kg chair can kill even if it is thrown from the fifth storey.



Speed of items (kmh)

Football (450g)

Rubbish bag (1.5kg)

Chair (10kg)

