

*Do your children have a lot of toys?*

*Do you constantly struggle to manage all of the toy sets and the small parts to the toy sets?*

*Do you want to make it easier for your children to put away their own toys?*

*Do you want to reclaim floor space in the room where they play?*

**ANSWER!**

The Clutter Free Organizing Children's Playroom Vertical Toy Storage System<sup>SM</sup> is the answer!



This system has been used by many of Clutter Free Organizing's clients with great success for a variety of ages of children and for a variety of toy and activity supplies. It can work for your family too!

**ASSEMBLY:**

The system can easily be assembled with supplies from a local Target store or you can order the supplies from Target on-line. If needed, you could also check with other local stores in your area for the same, or similar, supplies.

A 7 Step process for setting up this system (along with additional photo examples) is provided.

**WHAT'S NEEDED: SUPPLIES:**

- 1 Wire Rack Shelving unit (4 or 5 shelf – we recommend the 5 shelf unit).
- Multiple Sterilite Small (Shoebox sized) 6 Qt Latching Boxes (start with 6 – 12)
- Multiple Sterilite Medium 15 Qt Latching Boxes (start with 12 – 15)
- Labels You can use any type of labeler or labels – Key = labels are large and easy to see

**SUPPLY DETAILS:**

Wire Rack Shelf:



Colors = white, black, or chrome.  
Target Brand = Re-Organize Room Essentials.  
Type = Wire 5-Shelf unit.  
Cost is approx. \$40.  
Size: 72" H x 36" W x 18" D.

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**Bins # 1:** Sterilite Small **6-Qt Latching Box** – Plum (any color is fine)  
(available in Sets of 12 on-line). Clear Plastic.



- **Features:** Latches
- **Dimensions:** Length: 14.6 "; Width: 8.4 "; Depth: 22.4 "
- **DPCI:** 242-13-7852
- **ASIN:** B002SYTCKU
- **Catalog #:** 11861799
- **Cost** on-line at Target on 7/14/2010 was \$33.99 = Set of 12 (free shipping on orders over \$50).

**Bins # 2:** Sterilite Medium **15 Qt. Latching Box** - Plum (any color is fine)  
(available in Sets of 12 on-line). Clear Plastic.



- **Features:** Latches
- **Dimensions:** Length: 17.6 "; Width: 11.9 "; Depth: 29.3 "
- **DPCI:** 242-13-7853
- **ASIN:** B002SYJQ2O
- **Catalog #:** 11861867
- **Cost** on-line at Target on 7/14/2010 was \$57.99 = Set of 12 (free shipping on orders over \$50).

### **SET-UP:**

- 1 **Purchase** all needed supplies – note, it is better to buy extras of the Sterilite bins so that you have them if the toy or supply types change in the future and you need to adjust the system. Sometimes stores stop carrying a certain type of bin or product.
- 2 **Assemble** the wire rack shelving unit. Be sure to allow enough room between the shelves to accommodate the size and quantity of bins that you will be putting on that shelf.

**NOTE:** You may need to adjust the shelf locations once you get the toys sorted and put in bins.



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- 3 **Sort** all of the toys / supplies. If you already have the clear plastic bins you can use those as temporary homes for the different types of toys / supplies that you are sorting. As you get more of a certain type of toy / supply, use a second bin or use the next larger size.  
NOTE: using the bin sizes indicated in this guide is useful for children because the bins are smaller and easier for them to handle.
- 4 **Containerize** the sorted toys / supplies in the bins.
- 5 **Label** both ends of each bin so that regardless of the way it is put back on the shelf, you and the children will be able to see a label identifying the contents of the bin.  
NOTE: you may end up having more than one bin for a certain category of toy or supply.  
For example: one of our teenage male clients had 2 bins for the same type of Lego pieces because he had that many of them. The bins were labeled "Lego Vehicles – 1 of 2" and "Lego Vehicles – 2 of 2". (see photo at end of this guide).
- 6 **Place** all of the toy / supply bins on the shelves. Move them around as needed to maximize the fit, accessibility, and ease of use. Heaviest toys / supplies should be placed on the lower shelving units.  
NOTE: if your children are NOT climbers and they can be trusted to use a step stool, you can purchase one and keep it near the shelving unit so they can easily access items on the upper shelves. Otherwise, the upper shelves can contain items that you don't want them to access or that they can ask for help to access.



Be creative and flexible with this toy / supply system.

Adjust it as new toys enter the home and old toys leave the home.

Practice with, and teach, your children how to use the system and put the toys away.

Notice: bins are only stacked 2 high (medium sized) or 3 high (small sized) for ease of access.

**MUCH SUCCESS** with your new system!

**CONTACT US** to let us know your success story:

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