

Safe Pools for Safe Kids

Pool and Hot Tub Safety Checklist

Water Watcher

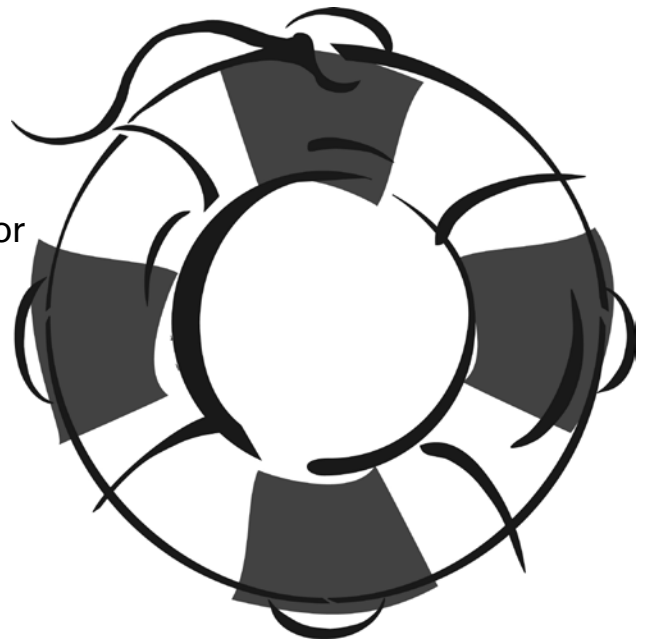
- Never take your eyes off of children in the pool – even for a moment! If you're in a group, appoint a designated "water watcher," taking turns with other adults.
- While supervising, stay alert and avoid distractions like reading or the telephone.

Swimming

- Don't rely on water wings or other inflatable toys. If your child can't swim, stay within an arm's reach.
- Teach children to swim after age 4.
- Teach children how to tread water, float and get out of the pool.
- Tell children to stay away from pool and hot tub drains.
- Tie up long hair securely to guard against drain entanglement.
- Never dive in water less than nine feet deep.

Equipment

- If you find a drain cover that is loose, broken or missing, notify the owner/operator. Do not enter the pool or hot tub.
- Keep gates to the pool area latched.
- Look for lifesaving equipment by the pool.
- Learn infant and child CPR.



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