



WATER SAFETY TIPS

WATER SAFETY RULES FOR YOUTH:

- Never swim without adult supervision present
- Always swim with a buddy
- Never swim in unsupervised places
- Never rely on swimming aids
- Non-swimmers should wear US Coast Guard approved life jackets around water
- Read and obey all rules and posted signs
- Don't dive into unknown waters
- Don't take risks or dares

PARENTS AND GUARDIANS:

- Actively supervise youth whenever around water
- Maintain constant visual contact with children
- Use a designated "Water Watcher" at social events
- Install layers of barriers around pools, bath tubs, hot tubs
- Keep toys away from pools and stored out of sight
- Install alarms on doors and windows leading to pools
- Install anti-entrapment drain covers in pools
- Keep rescue equipment such as reaching or throwing equipment around the pool area
- For home pools, enclose the entire pool with a barrier at least 4 feet high with gates that are self-closing, self-latching, and open outward
- For above ground pools, remove access ladders and secure the safety cover when not in use
- Have access to a phone around the pool for emergencies
- Enroll your children in swimming lessons
- Learn CPR – seconds count!

INFANT SAFETY AT HOME:

- Never leave kids alone near or in water
- Stay within arm's reach of your child and avoid distractions
- Drain portable pools, bath tubs, and water buckets after each use
- Close the toilet lids and use safety latches
- Keep doors to bathrooms closed



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