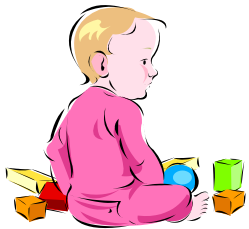


## PLAY

- Your child's safety may be at risk even whilst playing.
- Check your child's environment for sharp edges, dangerous items etc...
- Check toys for loose parts that can be broken off and swallowed.
- Never give toddler a balloon to play with unattended.
- Always supervise children at play, there can be dangerous things whilst playing.



# CHILD SAFETY



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**KEEPING YOUR  
TODDLER SAFE  
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## CHILD SAFETY

- Toddlers need to have a safe environment.
- They are too young to behave safely.
- Telling them and teaching them about danger do not keep them safe.



## CAR SAFETY

- Never leave children alone in cars.
- Do not allow children to stick out their necks or hands out when in the car.
- Make sure your child is properly restrained.
- Same rules apply for other types of transportation.
- It is not safe to allow small children to sit at the back of pick ups.

## TRAFFIC SAFETY

- Make fences and gates toddler proof (if you live by the road).
- Make sure you hold your child when near the roads.
- Do not allow your child to be on the road alone.
- **REMEMBER THE ROAD IS A VERY DANGEROUS PLACE FOR SMALL CHILDREN**

## FALLS



- Falls are major causes of toddler injuries.
- Do not leave young children alone on chairs, change tables etc..
- Do not use bunk beds with toddlers.
- Use barriers gates or lock doors to stop your child from going to dangerous places.
- Use straps in pushers and high chairs.

## BURNS AND SCALDS

- Keep hot things away from the edge of the table.
- Turn saucepan handles away from the edge of the cooker.
- Run cold water into the bath first.

## POISONING

- Toddlers explore everywhere they can reach and they will put anything into their mouths.
- They do not understand poison signs.
- Keep detergents out of reach.
- Use a child proof medicine storage.
- Keep poison in their original labeled containers well out of reach.
- Never put poisons into food or drink containers.
- **KEEP POISONS AND DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES OUT OF CHILDREN'S REACH.**

## CHOKING

- Check that there are no small objects or coins lying around.
- Stay with your child when eating.
- Never give toddlers peanuts or nuts.
- Keep plastic bags out of reach.

## DROWNING

- Drowning happens very quickly and quietly and can happen at home. Toddlers can drown in only a few centimeters of water.
- Stay with your children whenever they are near or in the water, such as the bath, pond etc..
- Water can collect in anything after rain. **EMPTY THEM!**
- Check your home to ensure there is no hole in the ground containing water.
- Swimming/paddle pools should be appropriately fenced.
- Small children must **NEVER** be near water unsupervised.

