

# Pool Safety

Swimming pools and spas are great places for family fun and adventures. It's important to ensure these safety tips to staying safer in and around the water.



## Appropriate Equipment

Install a fence of at least 4 ft in height around the perimeter of pool or spa

Use self-closing and self-latching gates; Pools should have compliant drain covers

Install an alarm on the door leading from the house to the pool

Have life-saving equipment such as life rings or reaching poles available for use



## Drain Entrapment Hazards

**Body:** any body part that can cover a drain can be held down by suction

**Hair:** long hair can be caught by a faulty drain cover

**Limbs:** arms, legs, feet or fingers can be lodged in a suction opening

**Mechanical:** jewelry and swimsuits can become entangled in a faulty drain cover



## Supervision Checklist

Watch children always; never leave them unattended

Keep children away from pool drains, pipes and other openings

Have a charged phone near; if child is missing check pool first



## Water Skills Checklist

Make sure that everyone is properly knows how to swim

Know how to perform CPR on children and adults

Share safety instructions with family, friends and neighbors

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