

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

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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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