

A young child with short brown hair, wearing a white sleeveless top with pink floral patterns and a pink skirt, is sitting on the edge of a swimming pool. The child's right leg is in the water, and they are looking down at it. The pool is filled with clear blue water, and the surrounding area is paved with small brown pebbles.

Never Leave Children Alone Near Water.

Not Even For A Second!

A child can drown in just a few inches of water within seconds – often without any splashing or screaming.

Prevent a tragedy before it happens.

Drowning is one of the leading causes of child deaths each year.

Keep your kids safe around water by following these simple guidelines:

- ▶ Never leave a child unattended around water.
- ▶ Teach your child to swim at an early age – always have an ADULT supervising.
- ▶ Flotation devices or inflatable toys are not substitutes for supervision.
- ▶ Don't mix alcohol and supervision of children near water.
- ▶ Enclose pools completely with a self-locking, self-closing fence, and don't leave furniture around that children can use to climb over the fence.
- ▶ Never leave toys in the pool – children may be tempted to reach for them later.
- ▶ Be sure that the adult watching your child knows how to swim, get emergency help and perform CPR.
- ▶ Keep rescue equipment (such as life preserver or shepherd's hook) and a telephone near the pool.
- ▶ Be sure to remove pool covers completely to reduce the risk of children getting caught underneath.
- ▶ Always drain and store in an upright position all plastic or blow-up wading pools after use.
- ▶ Secure the pool so that children cannot get back in after they are finished swimming.



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