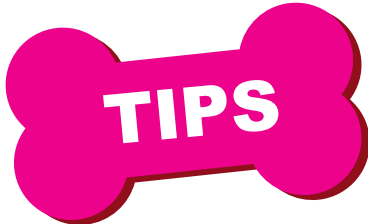




# ASK Swimming/Pool Safety Information

If you have a pool or spa, install a fence that goes all the way around it. The fence should close and latch by itself and should be least five feet high.  
Source: Home Safety Council



Keep poolside rescue equipment nearby. Equipment should include a rescue pole measuring at least 10-12 feet and a ring buoy with a line. Do not allow children to play with these tools.  
Source: Home Safety Council

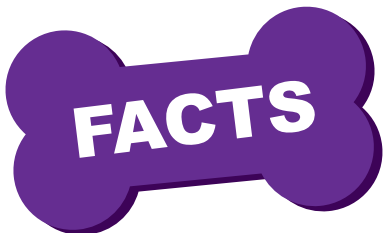
Use plastic instead of glassware in the pool area.  
Source: Home Safety Council

Keep a life vest approved by the U.S. Coast Guard on hand. Anyone who is not a good swimmer should wear a vest.  
Source: American Association of Poison Control

Learn CPR and make sure all other caregivers such as babysitters, grandparents and older siblings learn it too.  
Source: U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission

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More than one in five fatal drowning victims are children 14 and younger.  
Source: Centers for Disease Control & Prevention



For every child who dies from drowning, another four received emergency department care for non-fatal submersion injuries.  
Source: Centers for Disease Control & Prevention

Out of a group of drowning and submersion incidents involving children under 5, 75% of the victims were between 1 and 3 years old.  
Source: U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission

Drowning remains the second-leading cause of unintentional injury-related death for children ages 1 to 14.  
Source: Centers for Disease Control & Prevention

A child can drown in the time it takes to answer the phone.  
Source: U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission