

Protect Your Pool, Protect Your Kids

View our online video showing common pool fencing faults and how to spot them at kidshealth.schn.health. nsw.gov.au/projects/ drowning-prevention/ swimming-pool-fencing

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Drowning is a leading cause of death for children under five years of age.

- Approximately 70% of all drowning deaths in this age group occur in backyard swimming pools.
- A large number of children under five years of age drown in swimming pools because of pool fencing that does not meet NSW pool fencing standards.

With assistance from The Samuel Morris Foundation and The Swimming Pool and Spa Association of NSW (SPASA NSW), The Children's Hospital at Westmead have developed the Protect Your Pool, Protect Your Kids video, available on the Hospital's website.

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Swimming pool fencing saves lives. Visit the website to learn about pool fencing and the common faults.

Always remember to:

- Check your pool fence regularly throughout the year, especially in the months leading up to summer.
- Constant adult supervision within arms reach
- Learn Infant and Child Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR).
- Familiarise your children with water and teach them to swim, but never assume that they are not likely to drown.

Children can drown in as little as 5cm of water.

For more information, please visit: kidshealth.schn.health.nsw.gov.au/projects/ drowning-prevention/swimming-pool-fencing kids.