



Babies and young children have drowned when left unsupervised.

This can happen when;

- The responsible adult is distracted and answers the door or the phone.
- The child slips or climbs out of the bath aid.
- The responsible adult leaves the bathroom, even for a second.
- The bath aid tips over.

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BABY BATH AIDS



SAFETY RULES

When Using Baby Bath Aids

WARNING! Baby bath aids are NOT safety devices

- 1 **BEFORE** you run the bath get a towel and the baby's clothes prepared.
- 2 Keep your baby within arm's reach at **ALL TIMES**.
- 3 **NEVER** leave your baby alone in the bath. A baby bath seat or support does not make it safe to leave your baby unattended.
- 4 Older children are **NOT** suitable to supervise your baby in the bath.
- 5 **DO NOT** answer the door.
- 6 **DO NOT** be distracted by your phone.
- 7 In a slip-resistant bath, **NEVER** use a baby bath seat or support that has suction cups. The suction cups won't stick to the bathtub, or they may detach suddenly.
- 8 **LEARN** cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR). It can be a lifesaver. **Call Triple Zero (000)** in an emergency.



**HELP
CALL 000**



The law

The law requires that bath seats and cradles must have a prescribed warning notice to be clearly visible. A sample of a warning appears below.

WARNING



**Children have DROWNED
while using bath aids.**



This is **NOT** a safety device.
ALWAYS keep baby within arm's reach.
NEVER leave a baby in the care of children.

The warning is to highlight to parents and caregivers the need to be vigilant during children's bath time. Read the warning and pay attention to the message.

