

Cot Safety

Prevent cot accidents



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Be aware of bits that jut out or protrusions that could snag clothing and cause strangulation.

Make sure the mattress is firm and fits snugly in the cot so children cannot slip down the side.



Make sure you lower the base so the cot sides are high enough to stop your child falling out.

Make sure any gaps between slats are wide enough so a child's arms or legs can move freely, but not wide enough to allow a child's head to become trapped.

Carefully check that the cot is sturdy and in good condition, with no splintering of wood or exposed sharp edges.



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Ensure all screws are tight and all mechanisms are in good working order, including drop side panels and their access fastening device.



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