

DROWNING

IS SILENT



Did you Know?

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2/3 of fatal drownings occur between **May and August** for most age groups.



DROWNING IS THE **LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH FOR TODDLERS 1-4 YEARS OLD**



68%

In general, **Boys** are **two times more likely** to drown in a pool than girls.



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Children **under age 5** are at a higher risk of drowning in a pool.

There are **NO WARNING SOUNDS** or splashing sounds associated with a drowning accident.

What can you do?



Swimming Pools

Swimming pools in backyards account for over half of the 54 drowning deaths of children 0-5 years old each year.



Install Alarms

Install alarms on house doors and windows leading to a pool area.



Layers of Protection

Layers of protection include adult supervision, fences, gates, latches, safety pool covers, alarms, education, throwing aids, and rescue techniques.



Eye

Adults should keep a constant eye on children in or near any water including **bathtubs, buckets, toilets, ponds, spas and pools.**



Never Leave a Child Alone Near Water

Never leave a child alone near water. Check the pool first if a child is missing.



Touch

Designate an adult to be close enough to reach out and touch the child.



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