



Crib safety

Cribs made before September 1986 are dangerous. They do not meet current standards. It is illegal to sell, import or advertise these cribs.

Cribs that were made before September 1986 or without a label are not safe for use.

Safety Tips



The crib:

- Look for a label on the crib that shows when the crib was made.
- Check the crib often to make sure the frame is solid. Tighten loose screws regularly.
- Check the crib to make sure the sides lock into place.

The mattress:

- Make sure the mattress is tight against all four sides of the crib.
- Replace the mattress if it is not firm or if it is worn-out.
- Move the mattress down to its lowest level as soon as the baby can sit up.

Baby safety:

- Lock the sides into place after putting the baby in the crib.
- Never tie the baby in the crib and do not let the baby wear a necklace or a soother on a cord around the neck.
- Place the crib away from windows, curtains, blind cords, lamps, electrical plugs and extension cords.
- Health Canada recommends that soft mattresses, pillows, comforters, stuffed toys and bumper pads not be used in cribs.
- Babies should always be supervised with toys and bottles.

For more information, contact Product Safety, Health Canada:

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