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SAFETY FIRST



# SAFEHOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION

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When you arrive at your holiday accommodation it's important to make sure it's safe for your family. Products you hire must also be safe.

**Think safety first** with these helpful tips.

- **Bunk beds**

Make sure the top bunk has guardrails and there are no gaps that could trap your child's head. Children 9 years or under should only sleep on the bottom bunk. Don't let children play on the bunks, and check if the ladder is secure. Check with the accommodation provider when making your booking.

- **Portable cots**

Before you use a portable cot, make sure the sides and ends are locked into place and the mesh is not torn or broken. Any change table or bassinette should be securely in place with no straps hanging inside the cot. The portable cot should comply with the mandatory Australian Standard (AS/NZS 2195).

- **Blind and curtain cords**

All blind and curtain cords should be out of reach of young children. Check that beds, cots and other furniture are not close enough for your child to reach the blind or curtain cords. Children have been strangled after becoming tangled in cords.

- **Hot water systems**

Make sure there is a hot water tempering device in the bathroom to stop the hot water temperature exceeding approximately 50°C.

- **Pools and spa areas**

Make sure you follow the safety rules. Ensure your children's pool toys or floating aids are safe. Always supervise your children around pool and spa areas and make sure they stay away from filter inlets and outlets.

- **Furniture**

Don't let your children climb on the furniture as it may topple over. Don't put tempting items such as feeding bottles, favourite toys or remote controls on tables or shelves.

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