

# TRAMPOLINES



Office of Fair Trading www.qld.gov.au/fairtrading A trampoline can be lots of fun, especially for young children. Before your child plays on a trampoline...

Think safety first with these helpful tips.

#### • Choose a safe model

Only buy a trampoline that complies with the Australian Standard (AS 4989). However, you should do your research as it's not compulsory for suppliers to meet this standard. Ask the retailer if you're not sure.

### • Check the safety features

Most trampolines come with safety pads already installed. Make sure they fully cover the frame and springs, and are a different colour from the matting so your child can clearly see the edge of the mat. You can also buy safety nets for the sides of some trampolines.

### Check the trampoline

Regularly check the trampoline before your child uses it. Secure the padding and lock the legs in place. Regularly check the safety nets for wear and tear, as they can break down with regular exposure to sunlight.

#### • Use on soft ground

Place the trampoline on soft ground or impactabsorbing material—not pavement or concrete.

### • Have a clear jumping area

Keep the area around and above the trampoline free from hazards such as fences, toys, clothes lines, trees and overhead wires. You need 2 m clear ground on every side of the trampoline

#### • Supervise your children

Always watch your children when they play on the trampoline to make their jumping time is fun and accident free—make sure there is only one child on the trampoline at a time.

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