

Crib Safety

Before you put your baby to sleep in a used crib, check to make sure it's safe.

A Safe Crib Has:

- A firm, tight-fitting mattress.
- No loose, missing, or broken hardware or slats.
- No more than 2 3/8 inches between the slats (about the width of a soda can).
- No corner posts over 1/16" high.
- No cutout designs in the headboard or footboard.



> If your used crib is not safe, don't use it. <



For Mesh-Sided Cribs and Playpens, look for:

- Mesh less than ¼ inch, smaller than the tiny buttons on baby clothing.
- Mesh with no tears, holes or loose threads that could entangle a baby.
- Mesh securely attached to the top rail and floor plate.
- Top rail cover with no tears or holes.
- If staples are used, they are not missing, loose or exposed.

Bedtime Hints:

Always place a baby to sleep on his or her back to reduce the risk of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome. Wherever a baby sleeps should be as safe as possible.

Babies placed on adult beds risk suffocation from several hidden hazards such as:

- Entrapment between the bed and wall.
- Entrapment involving the bed frame, headboard or footboard.
- Suffocation in soft bedding (such as pillows).

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