

**SAFETY--KEY**

To ensure safety with a toddler, get down on your hands and knees, at the toddlers level, and go from room to room, looking for possible hazards and danger. Pay close attention to what is within the child's reach. Put away objects that are small, sharp, or poisonous. The kitchen and the bathroom need to have extra safety precautions.

Toy boxes are not suggested. If you do have a toy box, make sure the lid is not hinged and has no lock.

Place a nonskid mat in the bathtub.

Store all products in their original containers.

Refrigerator magnets that are shaped like food can tempt toddlers to eat them. Be sure to keep them out of reach.

**NEVER** leave a child alone in the bathtub--not for even a second. A child can drown in only an inch of water!

When the child is able to stand alone, no stuffed animals or pillows should be in the crib; the child can use them to climb out of the crib.

Child-resistant covers should be on all trash containers.

Pet food dishes should be kept in areas that are inaccessible to toddlers.

Keep furniture with sharp, hard edges out of heavy traffic areas.

Hot water heaters should be set to a maximum of 120 degrees Fahrenheit.