

PORTABLE/ INFLATABLE POOL

SAFETY WARNING

An average of **280 children under the age of 5** drown each year in swimming pools and there are an **increasing number of deaths in inexpensive, portable/inflatable pools.**

The sides of portable/inflatable pools are flexible and sometimes slanted or low, so it may be easier for a child to climb inside.

Parents need to **be aware that any pool poses a risk to young children.** Never leave a child unsupervised or out of sight in or near a pool – not even for a second. There is no substitute for constant parental supervision.

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