



**IF YOU
HAVE A CHILD,
YOU NEED
TO KNOW
WATER
SAFETY**



Bartow County EMS
Safe Summer Water Safety

Remember to be: S*A*F*E

SWIM ONLY IN SAFE AREAS

ASK FOR PERMISSION TO GO NEAR THE WATER, ALWAYS

FIND A PARENT OR ADULT TO WATCH WHILE SWIMMING

EVERYONE IS SAFE, ALWAYS



STOP! Be Aware

Never go near the water without an adult

Make sure that Moms and Dads know where you are

Follow all the rules at the beach or pool

Use approved swimming aids and flotation gear

Make sure everyone is present, and accounted for



CAUTION! Ask Your Parents

Is our pool locked and secure

Is there a barrier fence

Is it safe for small children

Can anyone fall in when no one's looking

What are the rules when we go swimming

Do we have a safety plan

When is it safe for me to swim



GO! After You Get the "OK"

Have Fun

Have a Plan

And Always remember to be

S*A*F*E

The SAFER 3

Three Steps to Water Safety

- 1** Recognizing risks associated with water related activities.
- 2** Implementing strategies to reduce and manage those risks
- 3** Responsibility maintaining those strategies

The main concept of the Safer 3 is based on the definition of the word "Safe." Safe means you are free from risk of harm or danger. When it comes to water, that simply isn't true. There is always risk when you are in, on, or around the water. The risk may vary in degree from very slight to very severe.

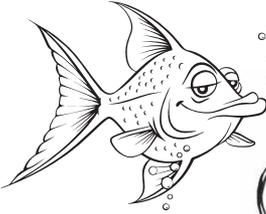
Safer Water means identifying where the risks are with any body of water (bathtubs, pools, spas, lakes, rivers, or oceans) and learning how to reduce those risks. For example, installing barriers such as isolation fencing around a backyard pool would reduce the risk of unauthorized access to the pool by young children.

Safer Kids covers the behaviors necessary for both kids and parents to promote water safety. These water safety tips include constant responsible supervision by adults, along with swimming skills attained through ongoing qualified instruction for kids.

Remember These Rules to Stay Safe this Summer...



1. Learn to swim well.
2. Always swim with a buddy.
3. Swim in a designated area and make sure an adult watches you.
4. Wear a life jacket if you can't swim well or if you are just learning to swim.
5. An air mattress or swimming does not take the place of a life jacket.
6. Never dive or jump into unknown waters.



What's wrong with this picture?

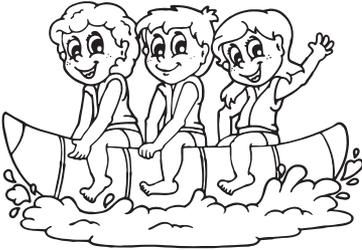
Find 3 things...



1. _____
 2. _____
 3. _____
1. The gate is open.
 2. There are toys left in the pool area.
 3. There is a chair next to the fence.
 (allowing a child to climb the fence).

An unsecure pool is an unsafe pool!

Fill in the blanks:



1. Learn to _____.
2. Swim with an _____.
3. Never swim or go near the water without a _____ or adult supervision.



1. swim 2. adult 3. lifeguard

Be smarter! Don't be alone near the water!



Fill in:
 In case of emergency, call:

--	--	--

What should you **always** have next to the pool?



Have a plan and know what to do should an emergency occur.

1. 9-1-1 2. Telephone