

Buying and Using Nursery Products Safely by



Preparing for your baby's arrival and setting up their nursery is an exciting time, but it can be confusing to know what to purchase with so many products and options out there.

Some nursery furniture products like household cots and prams/strollers have mandatory Australian standards which they are required to meet. Mandatory standards are designed to help protect children, however they do not mean that a product is 100% safe – it is still important that any warnings and instructions that come with the product are followed and that children are supervised while using the product.

Not all infant and nursery products have a mandatory Australian Standard that they are required to meet – this includes products like change tables, high chairs and bassinets, so it is important to be aware of safety features when using these products.

If a product poses a safety risk or is non-compliant with a mandatory standard or ban, it may need to be recalled. You can keep up to date with product recalls by visiting the [ACCC's Product Safety Australia website](#)

It's also important to consider safety precautions if you choose to use second-hand or gifted products, including ensuring that the product:

- Meets relevant Australian Standards
- Comes with full instructions for assembly and use
- Is sturdy, stable and has no missing or loose parts
- Has had no modifications that could make it unsafe

For more detailed information and advice on choosing, buying and using nursery and safety products, check out www.kidsafe.com.au