



**FDC Guidance** 

# FAMILY DAY CARE POOL/WATER HAZARDS/WATER FEATURES SAFETY

## DAILY REMINDERS

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Educators should be aware that this is not an exhaustive list of checks to be undertaken.

Educators should assess and respond to risks that exist in their environment.

Educators should check if the swimming pool, water hazard or water feature will be accessible to children attending the education and care service.

If an issue cannot be rectified immediately, the educator should contact the approved provider and ensure that every reasonable precaution is taken to protect children being educated and cared for by the service from harm and hazard likely to cause injury (as required under section 167 of the Education and Care Services National Law).

### **GATES AND SAFETY BARRIERS**

Are all the fence panels in place?

Yes No – Action taken Date

Are all the fence panels securely attached?

Yes No – Action taken Date

Have you checked the fence for gaps or holes?

Yes No – Action taken Date

Does the fence have any gaps or holes?

Yes No – Action taken Date

Is the distance between the barrier/gate and the ground sufficient to avoid risk for children?

Yes No – Action taken Date

Have you checked for rusted, loose, or missing screws?

Yes No – Action taken Date

Does gate swing back to the closed position after being opened?

Yes No – Action taken Date

Is the latch in good working order?

Yes No – Action taken Date

#### AROUND THE SWIMMING POOL, WATER HAZARD OR WATER FEATURE

Have pool aids and toys been removed from the pool and stored securely out of reach and view of children and young people?

Yes No – Action taken Date

Have climbable objects near the pool fence or water hazard/feature been removed (i.e., chairs, ladders, trees, pot plants barbeques)?

Yes No – Action taken Date

Have the trees or shrubs been trimmed so children can't use them to climb into the pool or water area?

Yes No – Action taken Date