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CPSC Warns of Drowning Hazard With Baby Bath Seats or Rings

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The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission is aware of 66 deaths associated with baby bath seats or rings since 1983. These bath rings usually contain three or four legs with suction cups that attach to the bottom of the tub. However, the suction cups may suddenly release allowing the bath ring and baby to tip over. A baby may also slip between the legs of the bath ring and become trapped under it.

Do not rely on these devices to keep baby safe in the bath. Parents or other attendants must never leave a baby alone in these bath support rings. Even turning away to answer the doorbell or telephone could result in injury or drowning of the baby.

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