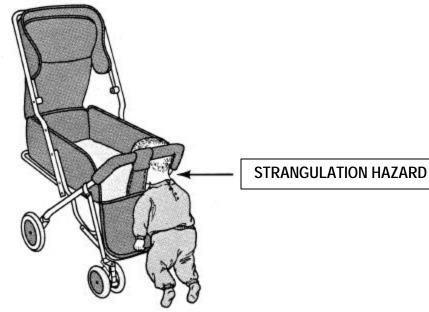


## **GPSC Safety Alert**

## Infants in Strollers Must Be Properly Secured at All Times Serious Risk of Entrapment and Strangulation

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) warns that serious injury or death can occur in strollers if children are not properly restrained. An infant's body can pass through the opening between the handrest bar or stroller tray and seat bottom, but his/her head and neck can become entrapped. This poses a serious risk of entrapment or strangulation, especially to children younger than 12 months of age.



## **CPSC** advises caregivers to:

- 1. Always use the safety harness each time your child is in a stroller. A harness can prevent a child from slipping between the seat and the handrest bar or tray. This can save a baby's life.
- 2. Be aware that infants as young as a few weeks old can move about when asleep. Babies, particularly those younger than 12 months old, can become trapped and strangle in a stroller.
- 3. Never leave a child unattended in a stroller. This is especially important if the stroller seat's backrest is in the reclined/flat position.

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