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## Things to Know About Water Safety



Ensure every member of your family learns to swim so they at least [achieve skills of water competency](#): able to enter the water, get a breath, stay afloat, change position, swim a distance then get out of the water safely.



Employ [layers of protection](#) including barriers to prevent access to water, life jackets, and close supervision of children to prevent drowning.



Know [what to do in a water emergency](#) – including how to help someone in trouble in the water safely, call for emergency help and CPR.

**TO LEARN MORE, VISIT:** [https://www.redcross.org/get-help/how-to-prepare-for-emergencies/types-of-emergencies/water-safety.html?did=DM52163&med=email&source=adobefr&campdesc=07172019&scode=RSC19070E002&subcode=nhqfy20jul\\_safetygenb&bid=1637697295](https://www.redcross.org/get-help/how-to-prepare-for-emergencies/types-of-emergencies/water-safety.html?did=DM52163&med=email&source=adobefr&campdesc=07172019&scode=RSC19070E002&subcode=nhqfy20jul_safetygenb&bid=1637697295)