

# Consumer Product Safety Alert

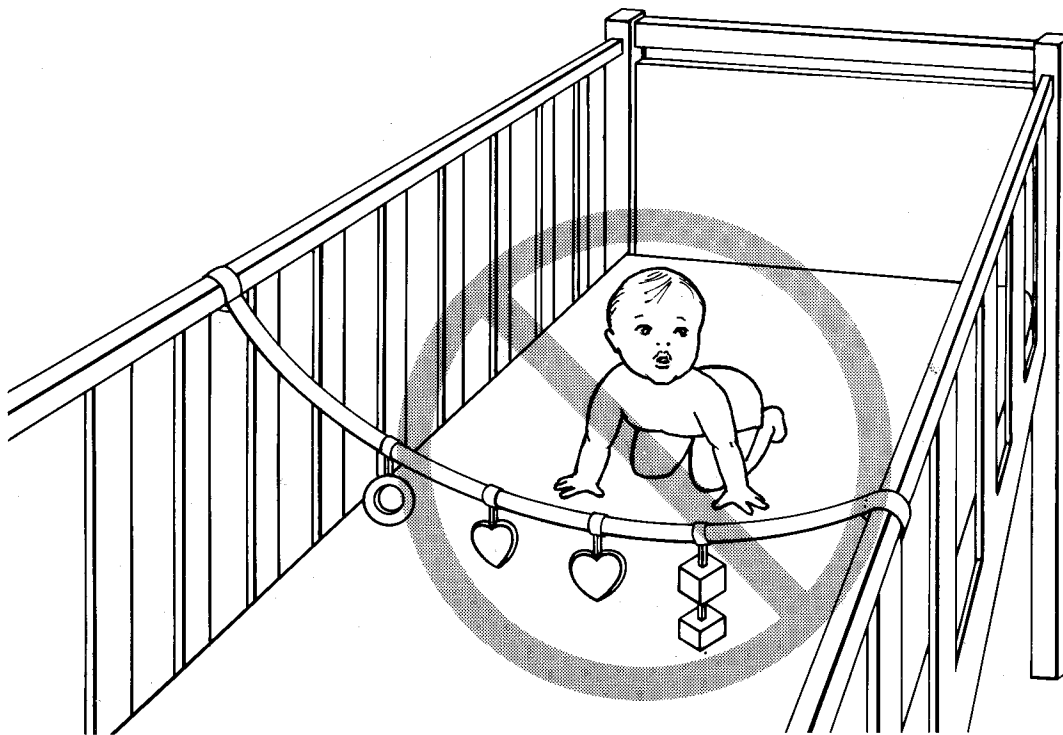
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## CPSC Warns of Strangulation with Crib Toys

Crib gyms, exercisers, kickers, and similar toys are attractive additions to a child's environment, but they are DANGEROUS as well. The risk of strangulation begins when children are just starting to push up on hands and knees, usually about 5 months old. These children **can** pull themselves up to a hanging crib toy and become entangled or fall forward over it; but they **cannot** disentangle them-

selves, support their own weight, or lift themselves off the toy. The results can be injury or death.

Completely remove such toys from the crib or playpen. Do not merely untie one end and allow the toy to dangle because strangulation is still a possibility.



### STRANGULATION HAZARD

Remove *all* crib toys which are strung across crib or playpen area when your child is *beginning to push up on hands and knees* or is *5 months of age*, whichever comes earliest.