SUMMER SAFETY | JUNE SAFETY SEGMENT



In the summer, children and families love to spend time around the water in an effort to cool down. To make sure everyone has fun, it's important to know how to stay safe and be Water Smart. Children under 12 have an increased drowning risk and need attentive supervision in and around the water. In fact, drowning is the second leading cause of preventable death for children under 10 years.

WATER SAFETY

DIRECTIONS

Start out the discussion by setting the expectations for creating a safe space and being respectful of everyone's feedback. Print and/or show the <u>6 Summer Water Safety Tips</u> poster and use the guiding questions to facilitate a group discussion.

SAFETY SEGMENT DISCUSSION

Guiding Questions:

- What are your favorite places to cool off in the water during the summer heat?
- How can we reduce the risk while enjoying the sun and water?
- What things would you pack to spend the day outside in the sun in the water?

Notes to the Team Leader:

 Facilitate an atmosphere of support and openness to feedback by encouraging the staff to share experiences or opinions without fear of reprisal.

Additional Resources:

Places to Beat the Heat Poster



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