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Cot Safety Check List

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The following checklist of cot safety should be considered to reduce risk for a baby in your care being injured or dying.

Fixed Cot

Cot Requirements	YES	NO
Is the Cot in good condition?		
Are the vertical bars safe?		
Is the distance from the top of the mattress to the top of the cot at least 50cm?		
Are the edges of the Cot smooth & rounded?		
Is the cot free from knobs or things sticking out such as screws or bolts?		
Is the Frame Sturdy?		
Is the Base strong?		
Is the inside of the cot free from small opening holes?		
Does the cot have wheels or castors?		
Is the cot Painted with led free paint?		
Is the mattress the right size for the cot?		
Is the mattress in good condition, free from tears or stains?		
Is the cot enclosure free from decorative transfers?		
Has the cot been assembled according to the manufacturer's instructions?		
Do you have these instructions?		
All toys are removed from the cots whilst children are sleeping		



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Portable Cot

Cot Requirements	YES	NO
Is the Cot in good condition?		
Do you agree to NOT use a portable cot for a child over 15kg?		
Have you checked all locking devices are properly latched before placing a child into the cot?		
Do you regularly check the locking mechanisms on the cot to ensure they are still tight?		
All toys are removed from the cot while children are sleeping?		
Is the cot free from tears in the mesh fabric? Do Not use portable cots if there is damage to the fabric side walls of the cot.		
Is the mattress the right size for the cot?		
Is the cot enclosure free from decorative transfers?		
Has the cot been assembled according to the manufacturer's instructions?		
Do you have these instructions?		
Is the mattress the right size for the cot?		
Is the mattress in good condition, free from tears or stains?		

To be completed for both fixed and portable cots.

I have completed the checklist for Cot Number _____

Brand of Cot _____

Educators Name _____

Signature _____

Date _____

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING COTS HAVE BEEN RECALLED DURING 2018/2019

Bubs Gallery travel cot - 2019

Cool baby portable cot – Union Australia - 2019

Dymples Portacot – Big W 2014-2018

Timber Cooper Cot – Adairs 2016-2019



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