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Water Safety Issues

Minimum Standards for Child-Placing Agencies requires that all foster and adoptive homes be aware of water safety issues and acknowledge their understanding of water safety issues for a child that may be placed in their home.

Foster/Adoptive parents must not leave young children, or children with physical impairments, unsupervised in a bathtub.

Foster/Adoptive parents must supervise children at all times when those children are around any large bodies of water, which includes swimming pools, hot tubs, stock ponds, creeks, rivers, and lakes.

When children are around any large body of water, they must wear regulation life preservers if they cannot demonstrate that they are able to swim. DO NOT ASSUME THAT THEY KNOW HOW TO SWIM BECAUSE THEY ARE SCHOOL AGE, AND TELL YOU THAT THEY KNOW HOW TO SWIM.

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department require that all children wear regulation life preservers when they are in a boat.

I/We _____and _____
verify that I/we do_____/do not_____ own a swimming pool.

I/We _____ and _____
verify that I/we do_____/ do not_____ own a hot tub.

I/We _____ and_____
have_____ reviewed and acknowledge understanding of water safety guidelines.

_____ _____
Foster / Adoptive Parent Date

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Buckner Foster Care Staff Date