**Tips for Life Jacket Care and Use**

* Only use U.S Coast Guard approved life jackets. Pool toys are NOT a substitute.
* Before any water activity, always inspect your life jackets for any rips, tears, broken zippers, buckles or other damage that might affect a jacket’s performance. If you find any damage, the life jacket is not fit for use and should be replaced.
* After using your life jackets, always rinse them with clean water. Let them dry completely before putting them away.
* Don’t leave your life jacket out in the sun. Sunlight can weaken the jacket’s materials and cause it to break down.
* Only use trusted websites when it comes to the health and safety of children.

Use this link to see more about water safety: [AAP resource](https://link.zixcentral.com/u/bcad3882/bGG2cHjT6hG7Ih4Ah3soMg?u=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.aap.org%2Fen-us%2Fabout-the-aap%2Faap-press-room%2Fcampaigns%2Fdrowning-prevention%2FPages%2Fdefault.aspx)

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