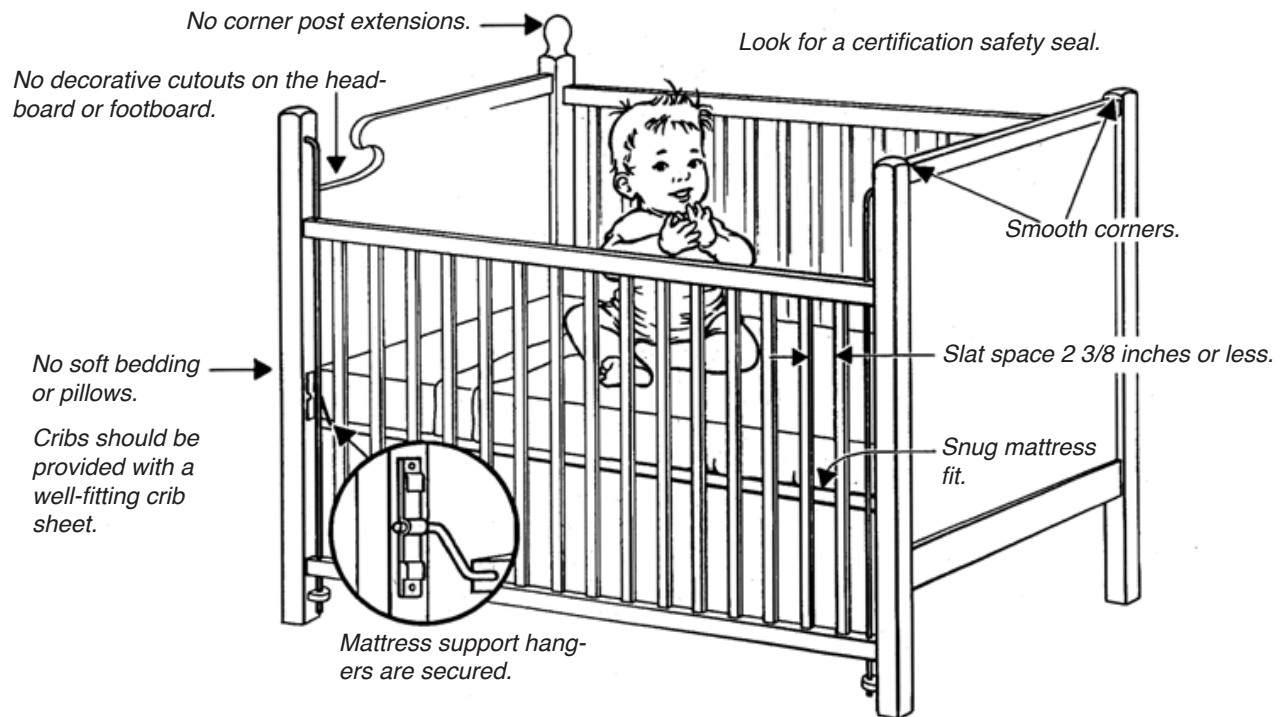


Crib Safety Tip Sheet



Important Elements of Crib Safety



Safety Measurements

A few measurements are critical in assuring a safe crib environment. First, the spaces between crib slats should not be wider than 2 3/8 inches. If the spacing is wider, infants—whose heads are typically larger than their bodies—may strangle when their body slips between the slats but their head gets caught. Corner posts or finials are strangulation hazards because children's clothing can catch on them. They should never be more than 1/16 inch high.

These important measurements are marked on the ruler below.

- Corner posts are no greater than 1/16 inch.
- Crib slats spaced no greater than 2 3/8 inches apart.

