

Safety Tips for Wearable Infant Products

Wearable infant products like soft infant carriers, frame infant carriers and slings continue to grow in popularity with parents and caregivers. A carrier provides comfort and security while allowing mom or dad some freedom. Below are some safety tips to follow when using any wearable infant product:

- Make sure baby's face is visible at all times.
- Baby's head should not be covered by any fabric.
- Parents and caregivers should be able to look at baby's entire face when they are carrying the child.
- Be sure that baby is not hunched with the chin touching the chest.
- Baby's face should not be pressed tight against the wearer.
- Select a carrier made of a durable, washable fabric with sturdy adjustable straps.
- Baby should fit snugly in a soft infant carrier with the head supported and weight evenly distributed.
- A carrier or sling should only be used when walking with the baby.
- Carriers or slings should not be used for transporting baby in a car or on a bicycle.
- A frame-style carrier can be used when baby can sit up unassisted.
- Be sure baby's weight is evenly distributed in a soft or frame carrier and all safety straps are secured.
- Check the carrier or sling periodically for sharp edges, ripped seams, and missing or loose snaps.
- Follow the manufacturer's instructions and recommended age and weight guidelines.
- Look for the JPMA Certification Seal on soft infant carriers and frame infant carriers.

For additional tips on how to keep baby safe, including a list of JPMA Certified soft infant carriers or frame infant carriers, please visit www.jpma.org.

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