

## **Josimah Baby Bank Guidelines and Safety Information**

All items given to us must be safe and fit for purpose, our guidelines are based on that of government guidelines and British standard institute guidelines.

All children's toys must meet strict safety requirements, whether they are new or second-hand. All new toys are required to bear a CE mark, age warning marks or the Lion Mark which is a declaration that the toy complies with safety requirements. We then know this complies with safety requirements and the families who are receiving the items are also not left vulnerable.



Any items that have or contain small parts must not be given to a child under 36 months but passed onto the carer instead. When we receive an item we will check it for various British standard marks and labels where required.

Travel systems and car seats regulations can be found in comprehensive details on the government website and must conform to three points which are:

- Conform to **BS EN 1466** or **BS EN 1888-1:2018**
- Instructions on operation, assembly, use and maintenance. These can be the original or printed via the manufacturer's website
- A Permanent notice on the vehicle must state "Children should be harnessed in at all times and should never be left unattended. The child should be clear of moving parts while making adjustments. This vehicle requires regular maintenance by the user. Overloading, incorrect folding and the use of non-approved accessories may damage or break this vehicle. Read the instructions." This notice is quite often found on the handle bars in a fairly visible position.

If we are accepting an umbrella style buggy they must be fitted with a hinge cover if it is a Maclaren model and it's doesn't have one, it can be ordered for free direct from Maclaren.

We have separate check lists for the items we receive if an item is damaged, dirty, broken, has parts missing we will not accept it and we will ask you to take it as we do not have the finances or facilities to dispose of the items.