## Safeguarding Toys and Equipment



How do you ensure that all toys and equipment meet safety standards but also offer stimulating fun, interesting opportunities and provide challenge?

## **Task**

Create a checklist to ensure the equipment you purchase meets safety requirements, is suitable and will add value to the children's environment. Whoever has responsibility for sourcing toys and equipment, should have an awareness of the factors to consider.

## Ask yourself.

- Is it age and stage appropriate?
- Is there enough room for it to be used/stored?
- Is it accessibility friendly?
- Are there any associate hazards?
- How will it improve or contribute to the environment?