



GARY CLEMENTS A/Commissioner of Consumer Affairs

SAFE SHOW BAGS FOR ALICE SPRINGS

Consumer Affairs will be watching out for dangerous and inappropriately marked toys being sold at the Alice Springs Show.

The Acting Commissioner of Consumer Affairs Gary Clements said "Show bag inspections will be carried out BEFORE they go on sale and product safety officers will be randomly inspecting stall holders selling toys and products, especially those that are marketed at younger children.

Any potentially dangerous or easily ingested toys will be removed from sale".

He said "Show bags need to be correctly labelled with age suitability to assist parents to choose appropriate show bags according to the age and developmental level of the child.

Attention will also be given to ensure that all cosmetic items sold **must** display ingredients labelling, to protect people against allergic reactions".

"Parents are urged to resist their child's pleas to buy projectile toys, such as guns, bow and arrow sets and dart sets. There are lots of great toys to buy for kids without resorting to projectile toys which may have the potential to fire missiles such as pens, pins or ball bearings which can cause serious injury".

Mr Clements has praised the Alice Springs Show Society for their continued support in working with Consumer Affairs to ensure show bags are safe for Territory children.

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