

# SMART TOYS FOR EVERY AGE

Give a kid a new toy – almost any toy – and chances are you’ve got a happy kid. While they should be fun, toys should also be age-appropriate, stimulating, and safe. ISO/TR 8124-8 covers what’s called “age grading”. It tracks the development cycle from birth to age 14 for children with regard to toys.

## 10-14 years

Sophisticated microscope and science equipment, electronics, video & computer software...



## 3-4 years

Tricycles, bicycles, doll houses with furniture, doll clothing, doctor kits, costumes & dress-up accessories...



## 7-8 years

Strategic board & card games, electronic & computer games, jump ropes, flying discs...



## 12-18 months

Shape sorters, water toys, small vehicle toys, trains without tracks, simple role-playing toys...



## 6-9 months

Rubber or plastic keys and rings, plush & stuffed toys and dolls, textured geometric shapes...



## 18-24 months

Toys for sand and water, puzzles with insert frames, rocking and ride-on toys, push toys with high handles...



## 3-6 months

Rattles, teething rings, fabric & textured balls to grasp, play mats, activity gyms...



## WARNINGS

Certain toys intended for children under 3 years of age require hazard warning labels:

For example, according to EU Toy Safety Directive 2009/48/EC and ISO 8124-8, the following graphic must be used along with the statement of risk and hazard.



For the US market, a warning statement is required for toys and games containing small parts that are intended for children at least 3 years old but less than 6 years old.