## **Soft Toy Safety Requirements**



The following are safety requirements for **ALL** soft toys:

- Nothing loose -
  - If you'd like to add a ribbon around the neck, ensure it is securely stitched at both the back and front to prevent it from coming loose. Use non-fraying ribbon to minimize risk.
  - Ensure that any additional accessories or decorations are securely fastened to prevent any risk of detachment.
- Make the knit or crochet tight enough that no stuffing can escape, ensuring the holes are small enough to prevent any material from coming out.

For the safety of children under the age of 3, the following is required:

- Machine stitched, hand embroidered, or sewn patch eyes
- Please remember if an object can fit inside a standard film canister (approximately 35mm in diameter), it poses a choking risk for young children.

## For **children aged 4 and over**, the following is required:

• For children aged 4 and over, only safety eyes or securely sewn eyes (machine sewn, embroidered, or sewn patches) are permitted. Avoid using buttons, googly eyes, badges, or pins as these could still pose a choking hazard or be hazardous if detached.