

SHOPPER'S CHECKLIST

Gaming devices



If you are thinking about buying a gaming device for your child, why not print out our Shopper's Checklist and ask these important questions in the shop?

Buying a gaming device? Questions to ask in the shop

Gaming

- Is it possible to restrict access to games based on age ratings?
- How do I know if a game allows multiplayer gaming online?
- Is it possible to limit the amount of time my child can play their game?

Internet access

- Does this gaming device have internet access? What does this allow you to do?
- Is it possible to filter internet content that is potentially harmful for children?
- Is it possible to disable the internet browser to prevent my child from surfing the web?

Communication

How can this gaming device be used to communicate with people by text, voice or video chat? Are there any parental controls to restrict this or ensure that my child only chats to people they know?

Films, Music and TV

How can this device be used to watch films and TV or listen to music? Can I restrict access to content based on age ratings?

Costs

How could my child run up a bill using their gaming device? Are there parental controls or ways of restricting spending?

Parental controls for different family members

Can you put in place different parental control settings for each family member?

