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Boy, 12, suffocates inside car at Madalla

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A 12-year-old boy suffocated inside his father's car last week, at Madalla Market, Suleja, Niger State.

A witness said the incident happened at about 3:25p.m. when the boy's father drove an unmarked Toyota Camry to buy foodstuffs at the

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The witness said the deceased boy's father alighted from the car and left his child inside the car without winding down the glass. The witness said it was after the deceased boy's father went into the market, bought everything he wanted and returned that he discovered his son had already suffocated inside the car.

"I was sitting with some people in front of a shop by the road side when the man came and parked his car and went into the market," he said.

"Unfortunately, nobody noticed that his child was inside the car, until when he came back, opened his car and started shouting and calling for help."

He said the boy was immediately rushed to a clinic along Suleja Road, where the doctor confirmed him dead.

City News gathered that the remains of the boy were deposited at the Suleja General Hospital's morgue.

Our reporter learnt that the man, residing at Maje village in Suleja, came to Madalla Market to buy some items with his deceased child when the incident happened.

The Madalla divisional police officer could not be reached for comment, but a police source at the station confirmed the incident on condition of anonymity.



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