

Division of Public Assistance Child Care Program Office

# **Introduction to the Provisional Child Care Licensing Process**

(Keep this document for your business records)

This packet is designed to provide explanation and instructions to assist you in completing the requirements for a Provisional Child Care License. Child care licensing requirements are based on State of Alaska child care licensing statutes and regulations.

The statutes and regulations are located on the Child Care Program Office (CCPO) website at: <u>https://health.alaska.gov/dpa/Pages/ccare/regs.aspx</u>. Applicants are expected to read the child care licensing statutes and regulations thoroughly prior to licensure. Once licensed, a child care facility is required to comply with each statute and regulation.

If you have questions at any time during your review of the child care licensing statutes and regulations or the licensing process, please contact your local CCPO at one of the following numbers:

Statewide (toll free): CCPO Office: 1(888) 268-4632 (907) 269-4500

The requirements and forms listed in this packet are all components of the licensing process for a Provisional Child Care License. Each form must be legibly completed and submitted with the required supporting documentation to your local CCPO to complete the licensing requirements for a Provisional Child Care License. Additional forms and resources are also available on the CCPO website at: <a href="https://health.alaska.gov/dpa/Pages/ccare/forms.aspx">https://health.alaska.gov/dpa/Pages/ccare/forms.aspx</a>.

**Please note:** Application packets submitted with incomplete forms or required forms missing will be considered incomplete and those incomplete or missing forms/items will be returned to the applicant delaying the licensing process.

# **Provisional Child Care Licensing Application Requirements**

A complete application packet for a Provisional Child Care License must be submitted on forms supplied by the department as listed below, unless specified in this section or on the form, and include any additional supplemental documentation and action required, as applicable.

#### 1. APPLICATION FOR PROVISIONAL CHILD CARE LICENSE

The *Application for Provisional Child Care License* CC52 form provides the CCPO with information the department needs to determine if the Applicant/Administrator meets regulatory requirements to operate a licensed child care facility. The application consists of several sections which all need to be completed. Some sections identify supplemental forms which also need to be completed, if applicable to your facility. Note: In a Home or Group Home the Applicant (Owner) or the Administrator must reside in the residence.

### 2. VALID CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECK

A valid criminal history check is required for all individuals described in 7 AAC 10.910(a) who are associated with a child care facility and who are 16 years of age or older. Applicants/Individuals are required to submit an application to the Alaska Background Check Program (BCP) and receive a valid criminal history check through the New Alaska Background Check System (NABCS) prior to having contact with children.

In order to obtain a criminal history check, you must have a myAlaska username and password as well as a valid email address. If you need to establish a myAlaska account, please visit: <u>https://my.alaska.gov</u>.

Once an application packet for a Provisional Child Care License is received by the CCPO, additional instructions on how to obtain a valid criminal history check will be provided.

### 3. HEALTH AND SAFETY TRAINING

Regulations require all caregivers to have Health and Safety Training required under 7 AAC 57.350(a). Applicant must provide documentation of completion of Health and Safety Trainings, prior to licensure. For a list of Alaska's Approved Health and Safety Trainings, please visit: <u>https://dhss.alaska.gov/health/dpa/Documents/dpa/programs/ccare/Documents/Resources-</u> <u>Reports/Alaskas-Approved-Health-and-Safety-Training-by-Requirement.pdf</u>

### 4. CPR AND FIRST AID

Regulations require all caregivers to have pediatric cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and First Aid certifications. A copy of both sides of the valid certifications must be submitted as part of your application packet.

### 5. STATE OF ALASKA BUSINESS LICENSE

The State of Alaska requires all businesses to obtain a State of Alaska Business License prior to operating. To apply on-line for a State of Alaska Business License to operate as a child care facility, visit: <u>https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/BusinessLicensing.aspx.</u>When applying for a business license to provide child care services, the primary or secondary line of

business must be *62-Health Care and Social Assistance*, and the primary or secondary Northern America Industry Classification System (NAICS) code to be used is *624410 Child Day Care Services*. A copy of your current State of Alaska Business License must be submitted as part of your application packet.

### 6. PLAN OF OPERATION

Child care licensing regulations require all licensed child care facilities to have a plan of operation. The following are required items that must be included in a child care facility's plan of operation and submitted with the application packet.

#### A. Organization Chart and Staffing Chart

An organization chart is a graphic outline of the organizational layout of a licensed child care facility with more than one position, which includes the hierarchy of each position represented in the structure of the facility. The staffing chart lists every position, and if known at the time of application, the staff member associated with each position, including: the Administrator, Child Care Associates, Caregivers, Substitute Caregiver, Cooks, etc. The information required in a staffing chart could be submitted on a separate document or included in the organizational chart.

For a Child Care Home with only one position, an organization chart and staffing chart are not required; however, the facility's parent policies must include information regarding the use of substitutes and/or the procedures for closing the facility when the Administrator/Administrator Designee is unavailable.

#### **B.** Facility Policies and Procedures, Plans, and Rules:

A licensed child care facility is required to adopt procedures, program descriptions, materials and forms into a policies and procedures manual and make it available to the Department, all employees, families enrolled in the facility, and other individuals associated with the facility. Your facility policies and procedures manual must include the following:

#### **Parent Policies:**

A licensed child care facility is required to provide parents with written information regarding their policies on enrollment and fees, typical daily schedule of activities, parent visiting and access, plan of supervision, and additional requirements as applicable. Enclosed is a *Child Care Facility Parent Policies Checklist* CC77 outlining the information that must be provided in writing to parents at or before a child's admission. This checklist is enclosed to assist you in developing parent policies for your facility and should be cross referenced to ensure all items listed are included and submitted as part of your application packet.

#### **Plan of Supervision:**

A licensed child care facility is required to ensure children are supervised at all times, including when children are indoors, outdoors, when participating in activities away from the facility, naptime, and during transportation. The child care facility's policies must include the following: group size; child-to-caregiver ratios; and how children will be supervised at all times, including during periods of rest. Your plan of supervision may be included in your child care facility parent policies.

#### **Personnel Policies:**

A licensed child care facility is required to create and maintain personnel policies that include, but are not limited to the following: a job description for each position; qualifications required for each position; and a description of the facility's procedure for completing annual evaluations. A *Child Care Facility Personnel Policies Checklist* CC60 is enclosed to assist you in developing personnel policies for your facility and should be cross referenced to ensure at minimum all "required" items listed are included and submitted as part of your application packet.

For a Child Care Home, personnel policies are required only if the facility employs a substitute caregiver (Administrator Designee) or other qualified caregiver.

#### Child Care Facility Staffing Plan

The *Child Care Facility Staffing Plan* CC71 must include each caregiver's position and their daily schedule and reflect the facility's daily children's attendance to ensure appropriate child-to-caregiver ratios are maintained at all times.

For a Child Care Home, a *Child Care Facility Staffing Plan* CC71is required only if the facility employs a substitute caregiver (Administrator Designee) or other qualified caregiver.

#### Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Evacuation Plan:

A licensed child care facility is required to create a disaster preparedness and emergency evacuation plan and submit it to the Department. A *Get Out Alive! Disaster Preparedness and Evacuation Plan* CC67 has been provided for your convenience to document your facility's disaster preparedness and emergency evacuation plan or to use as a guideline for developing your own plan that meets licensing requirements.

**Please Note:** A *First Aid and Disaster Kit Checklist* CC62 is included in this packet to assist you in ensuring your kits are complete.

#### **Other Plans and Rules:**

A licensed child care facility must submit any other plans or rules they have in addition to their policies and procedures and the required plans listed above, related to operating their facility. Examples may include but are not limited to: plan to address behavioral challenges; plan of care for children identified with special needs; plan for shared use spaces and alternate outdoor recreation spaces.

**Please Note:** A *Plan for Shared Use of a Child Care Facility* CC73 is included in this packet for you to complete if applicable to your facility.

Once your complete application packet for a Provisional Child Care License is received by the CCPO, the following additional requirements will determine if your facility meets all of the regulatory health and safety requirements for licensure. Once these additional requirements are completed a Provisional Child Care License may be issued.

# APPROVAL BY STATE OR LOCAL FIRE MARSHAL

**Fire Inspection Report:** Licensed child care facilities caring for six or more children must have approval from their local or State of Alaska Fire Marshal's office depending on jurisdiction. Fire Marshal approval is not needed to be licensed for five or fewer children, unless required by a municipality to which the state Fire Marshal has deferred building fire safety inspection and enforcement activities under 13 AAC 50.075(c). A child care facility applying to operate any hours after 10:00pm or before 6:00am, or 24 hours a day will also need approval from their local or state Fire Marshal's office prior to a nighttime care specialization being approved by the department. After receipt of an application packet for a Provisional Child Care License, your Child Care Licensing Specialist will request the fire inspection from the appropriate Fire Marshal's office by submitting a *Fire Safety Inspection Request* form or will provide you with contact information for the appropriate Fire Marshal's office so you can contact them, as applicable to your facility's location. It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure payment of any fee, if applicable, is submitted to the Fire Marshal's office.

# APPROVAL BY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION (DEC)

**Food Service (Child Care Centers Only):** Licensed child care centers serving or preparing food may be required to have a *Food Service Permit*. Your Child Care Licensing Specialist will submit a request to the facility's local DEC office requesting an inspection of the facility. DEC will contact you regarding any forms that may need to be completed, any additional required documentation to submit, notify you of any associated fees (if applicable), and to schedule an on-site inspection.

Well Water (All Facilities): If your facility has a well water system your water must be tested for nitrates and coliform and approved by a DEC authorized water testing laboratory. For a list of authorized water testing laboratories visit: <u>Authorized Chemical Analysis Laboratories</u> (Nitrates) and <u>Authorized Microbiological Analysis Laboratories</u> (Coliform). Many laboratories perform both chemical and microbiological testing. A copy of the approved water test must be submitted as part of your application packet and annually thereafter.

**Septic System (All Facilities):** If your facility has a septic system it must meet the requirements of 7 AAC 10.1030 Toilet facilities, sinks, showers, and bathing, and comply with wastewater disposal regulations 18 AAC 72. For more information visit:

<u>https://dec.alaska.gov/water/wastewater/engineering/</u> or contact the Alaska Division of Water at (907)465-5180 or 1(800)770-8973. A copy of the approval or installation authorization received from DEC must be submitted as part of your application packet.

# APPROVAL BY LOCAL CITY PLANNING AND/OR ZONING OFFICE(S)

Licensed child care facilities may be required to obtain specific approval or permits from their local city planning and/or zoning office(s) to operate a licensed child care facility in their community. It is your responsibility to contact your local city planning and/or zoning office(s) to determine if specific approval or permits are required and to take action as necessary to comply with the requirement(s). A copy of the approval(s) or permit(s) must be submitted as part of your application packet.

### **PROVISIONAL CHILD CARE LICENSING ORIENTATION**

The Provisional Child Care Licensing Orientation involves a thorough review of the child care licensing statutes and regulations with the facility's Administrator, and if applicable, a representative of the facility's Governing Body. During this orientation the Administrator and/or board representative will have the opportunity to meet one-on-one with a Child Care Licensing Specialist and have any questions answered prior to licensure.

The Provisional Child Care Licensing Orientation will be completed with the Child Care Licensing Specialist at the facility during the scheduled on-site inspection appointment. Please plan at least three to five hours to complete both the Provisional Child Care Licensing Orientation and the on-site inspection during the facility visit. The amount of time necessary for the scheduled appointment will vary based upon the facility type and questions posed by the Administrator and/or board representative.

#### **ON-SITE INSPECTION**

The on-site inspection involves a thorough examination and evaluation to ensure the facility meets the regulatory health and safety requirements of licensure. Prior to the inspection, you will be provided with a copy of the *Child Care Licensing Inspection Checklist* used during the inspection for your review and preparation. Please note this checklist is not all inclusive of child care licensing statutes and regulations.

A Child Care Licensing Specialist will inspect the entire premises, regardless of where care is planned to occur. This inspection includes a walkthrough of the inside of the facility, the outside property, and an examination of any vehicle(s) used to transport children to ensure all areas meet child care licensing requirements. All areas not meeting regulatory requirements during the inspection will be reviewed and discussed, and you will have an opportunity to make changes necessary to bring the facility into full compliance prior to a Provisional Child Care License being issued.

The inspection involves, but is not limited to, evaluation of the following: the overall environment; equipment, supplies, materials, and age appropriate toys and books required to be available for children in care; hot water temperature measuring between 100 and 120 degrees fahrenheit throughout the facility; drawers, cabinets, and closets in bedrooms, bathrooms and kitchen inspected for health and safety concerns; and measurement of the square footage in care areas inside and outside of the facility to ensure there is sufficient space appropriate for the number (capacity) of children for which the facility is applying to be licensed.

### PROVISIONAL CHILD CARE LICENSE ISSUANCE

Once you have met the requirements for licensure, a Provisional Child Care License will be issued for your child care facility with an effective date of the first day of the following month. A Provisional Child Care License is issued for a period of one year, during which time your facility will be monitored through announced and unannounced inspections and investigations (as applicable), to ensure compliance with child care licensing regulations and requirements. You must be able to demonstrate compliance with child care licensing statutes and regulations in order to remain licensed and be eligible to renew your license and receive a Biennial Child Care License.

**Please Note:** A licensed child care facility found out of compliance with child care licensing requirements may be subject to enforcement actions including but not limited to: specific conditions, fines, revocation or non-renewal of licensure, and/or revocation of the ability to provide child care services in the State of Alaska.



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#### APPLICATION FOR PROVISIONAL CHILD CARE LICENSE

**APPLICANT INFORMATION:** This person must be the owner of the child care facility, or if the business owner is a corporation, the President or Registered Agent according to the provider's State of Alaska Business License. This person may be different from the individual (Administrator) who is responsible for maintaining compliance with child care licensing regulations and the day to day operations of the facility.

Name of Applicant (Owner):	Title:	
Social Security Number:	DOB:	
Mailing Address:(PO Box/Street)		
(PO Box/Street)	(City/State/Zip)	
Phone Number:	Fax Number:	
Email Address:	myAlaska Account User Name:	
there are no restrictions forbidding you to oper noted in Facility Information section on next p completed with the property owner's informati dated <i>Permission to Operate a Child Care Bus</i> licensed child care facility on the premises.	<b>MATION:</b> If same as Applicant, check the box below attesting ate a child care business at the physical address of the facility age. If different than Applicant, each line in this section must be on and the property owner/manager must submit a signed and <i>siness</i> CC72 form, as evidence of permission to operate a ssociation bylaws, and other applicable neighborhood restrictions this address.	
Name of Property Owner:	Title:	
Mailing Address:		
Mailing Address: (PO Box/Street)	(City/State/Zip)	
Phone Number:	Fax Number:	
Email Address:		
listed on your State of Alaska business license	m of organization and enter the name of your child care facility as and any legal documents pertaining to your business. Research e of your facility to ensure the name chosen will not be confused	
	rporation Professional Corporation Religious Corporation Limited Liability Partnership Limited Partnership Company	

Name of Facility:\_

Physical Address:		
	(Street)	(City/State/Zip)
Mailing Address:		
	(PO Box/Street)	(City/State/Zip)
Phone Number:		Fax Number:
Email Address:		

**FACILITY TYPE:** Choose the type of child care facility license you are seeking. Approval of a facility type will be determined based on the requirements for the license type:

**Home:** Must have at least 1 caregiver/Administrator who is at least 21 years of age; allows up to 8 children usually in an occupied residence; meets child-to-caregiver ratios; and must have 35 square feet of usable indoor space and 75 square feet of outdoor recreation space per child.

**Group Home:** Must have 2 adult caregivers, 1 of which is the Administrator who must be at least 21 years of age; allows from 9 to 12 children usually in an occupied residence; meets child-to-caregiver ratios; and must have 35 square feet of usable indoor space and 75 square feet of outdoor recreation space per child.

Exception: An applicant may be licensed as a group home with only 1 adult caregiver if the caregiver is either the Administrator or the Administrator's designee who is at least 21 years of age; allows from 9 to 12 children usually in an occupied residence; must have 1 year of licensed home child care experience or the equivalent, or 12 semester hours of college credit in early childhood development, child development, child psychology, or the equivalent, or hold a current Child Development Associate (CDA) credential or Montessori Certificate; the total number of children in care consists only of children of school age (7 through 12 years), including the caregiver's children younger than 13 years of age, or is 10 or fewer, including the caregiver's children younger than 30 months of age, and not more than 2 of the total are non-ambulatory; and must have 35 square feet of usable indoor space and 75 square feet of outdoor recreation space per child.

**Center:** Must have a qualified Administrator, a Child Care Associate for each 30 children, meets child-tocaregiver ratios, allows 13 or more children, and must have 35 square feet of usable indoor space and 75 square feet of outdoor recreation space per child.

**Please note:** Additional requirements per facility type may be applicable prior to licensure, for example: meeting local city planning and/or zoning requirements, obtaining Fire Marshal approval (required if caring for 6 or more children, by a municipality to which the state Fire Marshal has deferred building safety inspection and enforcement activities under 13 AAC 50.075(c), or if operating any hours after 10:00pm or before 6:00am, or 24 hours a day), and receiving approval or meeting the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) requirements, if applicable, for food service, well water, and/or a septic system. Occupancy rating, as applicable to facility type, is based upon your local or State of Alaska Fire Marshal's office. The Fire Marshal's office will state whether or not you have to reside in the facility.

**NUMBER OF CHILDREN TO RECEIVE CARE (capacity):** Enter the number of children you want to be licensed for, in a Home or Group Home this will include your own children (including foster care children) younger than 13 years of age. The capacity will be approved based on the child care facility meeting specific requirements by facility type, for example: required square footage per child, number of toilets and sinks in the facility, local city planning and/or zoning requirements, and local Fire Marshal approval.

### Requested Capacity:\_

AGE RANGE: Enter the age range of the children you want to care for younger than 13 years of age, including your own children and foster care children if applicable.

Requested Age Range: \_\_\_\_\_\_ through \_\_\_\_\_

**HOURS OF OPERATION:** Enter the hours of the day (including a.m. or p.m.) and days of the week you want to operate your child care facility. Indicate "Closed" for days you are not in operation. If you are applying to operate any hours after 10:00 p.m. or before 6:00 a.m., or 24 hours a day, a *Request For Nighttime Care Specialization* CC53 form must be completed and submitted with the application, for department approval. An approval for nighttime care will also be necessary from your local Fire Marshal prior to a nighttime care specialization being approved by the department.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday

**PROGRAM ACTIVITY SPECIALIZATION:** If you are applying for a program activity specialization for a moderate-risk activity such as: swimming, bicycle riding, etc., a *Request For Specialized Program Activity* **CC54** form must be completed and submitted with the application, for department approval.

Yes No

If yes, I have attached a Request For Specialized Program	Activity CC54 form for each of the following
moderate-risk activities included in my program:	

**GOVERNING BODY INFORMATION:** Mark the box applicable to your facility. If your facility will be governed by a board of directors or other body, submit a *Governing Body Information* CC55 form with the application.

**PERSONS LIVING ON THE PREMISES OF THE CHILD CARE FACILITY:** List <u>ALL</u> individuals living on the premises, starting with yourself (if applicable). A valid background check through the Alaska Background Check Program is required for all individuals associated with or living on the premises of the entity, who are 16 years of age and older, prior to licensure. Authority under: 7 AAC 57.010; 7 AAC 57.315; 7 AAC 10.900; 7 AAC 10.910.

Name (first, last)	Title/Relationship	Date of Birth	Age	Driver's License #

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

**ADMINISTRATOR INFORMATION:** List the individual who is responsible for maintaining compliance with child care licensing regulations and the day to day operations of the facility. If the Applicant and the Administrator is the same person, please enter "same as applicant". An *Administrator Designation and Qualification Form* CC56 and four *Child Care Facility Administrator Reference* CC57 forms must be submitted with the application. CENTERS ONLY: In addition to the forms required for an Administrator, one or more *Child Care Associate Designation and Qualification* Form(s) CC58 and three *Child Care Facility Child Care Associate Reference* CC59 forms must be submitted with the application for each Child Care Associate for every 30 children to receive care.

Name of Administrator:	Title:	
Mailing Address:		
(PO Box/Street)	(City/State/Zip)	
Phone Number:	Fax Number:	
Email Address:		

**LICENSING HISTORY:** Indicate whether the Applicant and/or Administrator is currently or has previously been licensed, registered, certified, or approved to provide care for adults or children in any state. If yes is marked, please complete all of the boxes in this section. Include all types of care facilities, for example: assisted living, foster care, child care, etc.

Applicant: Are you currently or have you		ed, certified, or approved to provide
care for children and/or adults?  Yes	No	

If yes, complete the following:

Type of Facility	Name of Facility	Location of Facility (City and State)	Start and End Date of License

Administrator: Are you currently or hav	e you previously been licensed,	registered, certified, or approved to
provide care for children and/or adults? [	] Yes 🗌 No	

If yes, complete the following:

Type of Facility	Name of Facility	Location of Facility (City and State)	Start and End Date of License

# APPLICANT AND ADMINISTRATOR CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE OF AGREEMENT:

**Note:** All sections of the application must be completely filled out and the signature of the Applicant and Administrator (if not the same person) are required in this section in order for the application to be considered complete. This section, in addition to the Alaska child care licensing statutes and regulations, should be carefully read and understood prior to signing the application.

I have read the applicable State of Alaska child care licensing statutes and regulations: AS 47.05, AS 47.32, 7 AAC 10 and 7 AAC 57, and understand and agree to comply with them;

I will cooperate with the Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) or its authorized representatives through the licensing process and after license issuance, including inspection and investigation and permit representatives of the DHSS or its authorized representatives full access to inspect and investigate the child care facility and premises, review records, interview staff and interview individuals and their families receiving services;

I understand that I am required to maintain and retain records necessary to demonstrate compliance with State of Alaska child care licensing statutes and regulations governing the facility. In addition, I will make these records available to the DHSS or its authorized representatives, upon request; and

I certify that the contents of this application and information provided with it are true, accurate, and complete. I understand that willful misrepresentation of the information provided is cause for immediate denial of an application or later revocation of the license.

Facility Name

Applicant (Owner) Name (Print)

Signature of Applicant

Administrator Name (Print)

Signature of Administrator

Date

Date



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#### **REQUEST FOR NIGHTTIME CARE SPECIALIZATION**

This form is required to be submitted for a child care facility seeking to offer child care services any time after 10:00 p.m. or before 6:00 a.m., or 24 hours a day. Approval of this specialization is required regardless of the duration of services provided during this time period. An approval for nighttime care will also be necessary from your local or state fire marshal's office prior to a nighttime care specialization being approved by the department.

7 AAC 57.805. Nighttime care specialization. (a) A child care facility may not provide care between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. unless the facility has a nighttime care specialization approved by the department. (b) A child care center that provides nighttime care shall provide a room away from sleeping children where children who are awake may engage in activities. (c) A child care home and a child care group home shall provide nighttime care to no more than five children, including the caregiver's own children under 18 years of age.

Facility Name:		
Facility Type: 🗌 Home	Group Home	Center
Identify the hours you would	d like to provide nighttime care:	
	en you will have in care during nighttime our own children, including any foster child	
plan and attach any support	a nighttime care specialization, a facility ting documentation necessary to show co ighttime care plan must include how the	mpliance with licensing regulations
A shower, tub, or sponge b	bath as needed for body cleanliness.	
Dinner, nighttime snack, and	nd breakfast.	
Supervision for sleeping ch	nildren in care.	
Accommodations for sleep	ing children.	
Accommodations away fro	om sleeping children for children who are aw	vake to engage in activities.
Fire inspection report confi	irming approval for nighttime care.	
Administrator Printed Name	2	

**Administrator Signature** 



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## **REQUEST FOR SPECIALIZED PROGRAM ACTIVITY**

This form is required when a child care facility is seeking to offer a moderate-risk activity, as identified in child care licensing regulations. A separate form and supporting documentation must be submitted and approved by the department for each activity your facility would like to provide.

7 AAC 57.810. Specialized program activities. (a) A child care facility may not provide a program of moderate-risk activities on a regular basis unless the facility has approval by the department for a specialized program activity. Moderate-risk activities include specialized program activities such as gymnastics, swimming, camping, wilderness walks, horseback riding, canoeing, skiing, climbing, fishing, skateboarding, rollerblading, scooter riding, and bike riding.

**\*\***Contact your Child Care Licensing Specialist with questions regarding other possible moderate-risk activities. **\*\*** 

Facilit	y Name:
Specia	lized Program Activity:
Facilit	y Type: Home Group Home Center
compl	t this form and attach a written plan with all supporting documentation necessary to show iance with licensing regulation 7 AAC 57.810. A specialized program activity plan must address he facility will meet the following requirements:
Ens	sure each employee reviews the plan and has a copy with them during each specialized program activity.
cor 1. 2. 3.	sure the plan has emergency and injury control procedures for any specialized program activity iducted, and includes: Carrying or posting emergency telephone numbers. Identification of, respect for, and avoidance of potential weather hazards. Identification and warning to children of other potential hazards. Development of contingency plans to deal with lost children, accidents, and other emergencies.
	sure the facility's plan for supervision during the specialized program activity includes: The required child-to-caregiver ratios are maintained or increased as appropriate to the specialized
1.	program activity.
2.	Designated caregiver(s) to supervise the specialized program activity who has at least one year experience in the specialized program activity.
3.	Designated caregiver(s) to supervise the specialized program activity who has demonstrated the necessary competency, experience, and has special training for the activity (attach any applicable certificates).
4.	Designated caregiver(s) who has received special training to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the

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children who have special needs.

Ensure the facility takes the following general health and safety precautions during a specialized program activity:

- 1. Brings a full first aid kit.
- 2. Has at least one caregiver with first aid & CPR to accompany children.

Administrator Printed Name

Administrator Signature

Date



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## **GOVERNING BODY INFORMATION**

**Governing Body Information:** This form is used by a facility operated by a governing body responsible for the oversight of the facility.

Name of Facility:	
Name of Governing Body:	
Mailing Address of Governing Body:	
Phone Number:	Fax Number:
Email Address:	
<b>Governing Body Representative:</b> The individual list Member (Representative) who the Department can co	ed in this section is the designated Governing Body ntact regarding the application, or licensure of the facility.
Name of Governing Body Member:	Title:
Mailing Address:	
Phone Number:	Fax Number:
Email Address:	

**Governing Body Requirements:** Per 7 AAC 57.200, in a child care facility that is governed by a board or other body, the board or other body shall:

- Determine policy for the operation and management of the facility, specifically including: Process for conducting and reporting Criminal History Checks, compliance with Environmental Health and Safety requirements, and personnel policies required by 7 AAC 57.220;
- Adopt a job description that clearly describes the Administrator's role and responsibilities (required as part of the child care facility's personnel policies);
- Appoint an individual who meets the qualifications of an Administrator under 7 AAC 57.300 (requirement fulfilled through submission of *Administrator Designation and Qualification Form* CC56, and four *Child Care Facility Administrator Reference* CC57 forms and approval by the department);
- Annually evaluate the Administrator's performance (compliance will be determined during on-site inspection of facility by a Child Care Licensing Specialist)
- Per 7 AAC 57.210, during periods when the Administrator is absent from the facility, designate an onsite adult caregiver to act as on-site manager (Administrator Designee) in the Administrator's absence, who meets the age and qualification requirements of 7 AAC 57.300(a) and (b). This requirement is fulfilled through submission of *Child Care Associate Designation and Qualification Form* CC58, and three *Child Care Facility Child Care Associate Reference* CC59 forms, or *Administrator Designation and Qualification Form* CC56;
- Approve the annual budget of anticipated income and expenses to provide the services described in the statement of purpose and approve or take corrective action on financial audit reports (compliance will be determined during on-site inspection of facility by a Child Care Licensing Specialist);

- Conduct at least three board meetings each year and maintain minutes of each meeting (compliance will be determined during on-site inspection of facility by a Child Care Licensing Specialist); and
- Provide for orientation to new board members and biennial training for each board member on the role and responsibilities of a board member (compliance will be determined during on-site inspection of facility by a Child Care Licensing Specialist).

**Governing Body Member Information:** Child care licensing regulations require each individual that has an ownership or management interest in the facility to provide the name, mailing address, telephone number, fax number (if any), email address (if any), and their title. A valid criminal history check is required for any board member who has regular contact with children in care, access to personal or financial records maintained by the facility or provider regarding children in care, or control over or impact on the financial well-being of children in care.

Please document the required information on this form for all members of your governing body.

If additional space is needed to provide information, a separate sheet of paper may be used.

Governing Body Member:		
Name of Governing Body Member:		Title:
Term:	Start Date:	
Mailing Address:		
Phone Number:	Fax Number:	
Email Address:		
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# ADMINISTRATOR DESIGNATION AND QUALFICATION FORM

#### Name of Administrator Applicant:

#### Name of Facility:

This form provides the department with information about the individual who will be responsible for the day-today operations of the facility.

- 1. Read and mark the items applicable to your facility type and attach documentation to support compliance with licensing regulations. Supporting documentation includes but is not limited to, proof of:
  - <u>Age</u> such as birth certificate, passport or passport card, driver's license, or state identification card;
  - <u>Education and/or training</u> such as transcripts, certificates of completion, training or employment training attendance records;
  - <u>Experience in child care, financial, and managerial/supervisory</u> such as a resume documenting employment history summarizing job duties performed.
- 2. Attach four completed *Child Care Facility Administrator Reference* CC57 forms signed and dated by the person making the recommendation. At least **one** reference must be from an individual who can attest to your professional skills. **Three** of the references must be from individuals who are not related to you.
- 3. Submit this form and all applicable attachments to the department for approval.

# The Administrator must provide supporting documentation to demonstrate compliance with the following requirements based on their facility type:

#### An Administrator for a *Child Care Home*:

Must be at least 21 years of age.

#### An Administrator for a *Child Care Group Home*:

Must be at least 21 years of age.

Must have the management and supervisory skills necessary to select and supervise personnel, including delegation of responsibility and motivation of staff.

☐ If providing care as the sole caregiver in a Child Care Group Home as defined in 7 AAC 57.505(b)(3), must have at least one year of licensed child care home experience or the equivalent, or 12 semester hours of college credit in early childhood development, child development, child psychology, or the equivalent, or hold a current Child Development Associate (CDA) credential or Montessori Certificate.

# An Administrator for a *Child Care Center*:

Printed Name of Administrator

**Signature of Administrator** 



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### CHILD CARE FACILITY – ADMINISTRATOR REFERENCE

Administrators of licensed Child Care Homes, Group Homes, and Centers are required to submit references from individuals who can attest to their personal and professional experience, reputable character, ability to care for children, and ability to operate a child care facility.

Please answer the following questions regarding the Administrator Applicant:

- 1. How long have you known this individual, and in what capacity?
- 2. Please explain how this individual has worked successfully with children and families, and acted as a positive role model for children.
- 3. Please explain how this individual's particular skills and abilities will support them to work successfully with children, family members, department staff, community agencies, and staff of the child care facility.
- 4. Please explain how this individual has demonstrated the characteristics of a responsible individual of reputable character, who exercises sound judgment.

5. Describe how you would feel about leaving a child in this individual's care.

6. Explain why you believe this individual is qualified to operate a licensed child care facility.

7. Explain this individual's administrative and supervisory skills as it would relate to their leadership position in a child care facility.

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	Ever abused or neglected a child? Been charged with or convicted of a crime?	YES  YES	NO DI
То	your knowledge, does this individual have:		
	A physical or behavioral problem that poses a significant risk to children in care?	YES	NO 🗌
	A domestic violence problem that poses a significant risk to children in care?	YES	NO 🗌

#### If you answered YES to any of the questions 8-11, please explain.

12. Please include any additional comments and/or information you would like to share:

You may also contact the Child Care Program Office toll free at 1-888-268-4632 with any questions or concerns. A Child Care Licensing Specialist may follow up with you regarding this reference.

Thank you for your assistance.

To your knowledge, has this individual:

Printed Name of Individual Providing Reference

**Phone Number** 

Signature of Individual Providing Reference

Date



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# CHILD CARE ASSOCIATE DESIGNATION AND QUALIFICATION FORM

Name of Child Care Associate Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Name of Facility:

This form provides the department with information supporting the individual identified by the facility meets the qualifications to be designated as a Child Care Associate (CCA).

- 1. Read, mark, and attach for each qualification, supporting documentation showing compliance with licensing regulations. Supporting documentation includes but is not limited to, proof of:
  - <u>Age</u> such as birth certificate, passport or passport card, driver's license, or state identification card;
  - <u>Education and/or training</u> such as transcripts, certificates of completion, training or employment training attendance records;
  - Experience in child care, handling finances, and planning and evaluating programs such as a resume documenting employment history summarizing job duties performed.
- 2. Attach three completed *Child Care Center-Child Care Associate Reference* CC59 forms signed and dated by the person making the recommendation. At least one reference must be from an individual who can attest to your professional skills. Two of the references must be from individuals who are not related to you.
- 3. Submit this form and all applicable attachments to the department for approval.

# The Child Care Associate must provide supporting documentation showing they meet the following requirements:

Must be at least 21 years of age.

Must have at least 12 semester hours of college credit in early childhood development, child development, child psychology, or the equivalent, or hold a current Child Development Associate (CDA) credential, or Montessori Certificate.

Must have an understanding of the development of children.

Must have the ability to care for children	1;
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Must have the skills to work with:

Children;

- Family members;
- Department staff;
- Community agencies; and, if applicable
- Staff of the child care facility.

Must have the skills necessary to handle finances and plan and evaluate programs.

# I certify that the contents of this form and information provided are true, accurate and complete.

Printed Name of Administrator		
Signature of Administrator	Date	
Printed Name of Child Care Associate		
Signature of Child Care Associate	Date	



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# CHILD CARE CENTER – CHILD CARE ASSOCIATE REFERENCE

Child Care Associates of licensed child care centers are required to submit references from individuals who can attest to their personal and professional reputable character, experience, ability to care for children, and ability to operate a child care facility, if designated to do so in the absence of the Administrator.

The following reference information is needed for the Child Care Associate Applicant.

Name of Child Care Associate Applicant:

Name of Facility:

Please answer the following questions regarding the Child Care Associate Applicant:

- 1. How long have you known this individual, and in what capacity?
- 2. Please explain how this individual has worked successfully with children and families, and acted as a positive role model for children.
- 3. Please explain how this individual's particular skills and abilities will support them to work successfully with children, family members, department staff, community agencies, and staff of the child care facility.
- 4. Please explain how this individual has demonstrated the characteristics of a responsible individual of reputable character, who exercises sound judgment.

5. Describe how you would feel about leaving a child in this individual's care?

- 6. Explain why you believe this individual is qualified to operate a licensed child care facility, if they were designated to do so in the absence of the Administrator.
- 7. Explain this individual's administrative and supervisory skills as it would relate to their leadership position in a child care facility.

#### To your knowledge, has this individual:

	Ever abused or neglected a child? Been charged with or convicted of a serious crime?	YES  YES	NO D
То	your knowledge, does this individual have:		
	A physical or behavioral problem that poses a significant risk to children in care?	YES	NO 🗌
11.	A domestic violence problem that poses a significant risk to children in care?	YES	NO 🗌

# If you answered YES to any of the questions 8-11, please explain.

12. Please include any additional comments and/or information you would like to share:

You may also contact the Child Care Program Office toll free at 1-888-268-4632 with any questions or concerns. A Child Care Licensing Specialist may follow up with you regarding this reference.

Printed Name of Individual Providing Reference	Phone Number	
Signature of Individual Providing Reference	Date	



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# CHILD CARE LICENSING FACILITY PERSONNEL POLICIES CHECKLIST

#### Facility Name:

This form provides the department with information about the facility's personnel policies. Please submit this form and all applicable attachments to the department for approval.

Child care licensing regulations define a "caregiver" as an Administrator, Child Care Associate, employee, student intern, regular parent classroom volunteer, substitute or any other individual in a child care facility whose duties include supervision of children with or without compensation.

### **REQUIRED**:

**7AAC 57.220 (a) (1-3).** A child care facility with one or more employees shall provide personnel policies to those employees when they start employment at the facility. The personnel policies must include as applicable:

#### 1. Personnel qualifications for each position title

Age requirement

Desired and minimum education requirement

- Desired and minimum experience requirement
- Required references

### 2. Job description for each position title

- Title of position
- Person to whom employee is responsible to and/or for
- General position description and duties

Daily routines

Periodic and occasional duties

Weekly work schedule (hours and days)

#### 3. Evaluation procedures

- Procedures for annual evaluations
- Copy of blank evaluation for being used

### **RECOMMENDED**:

The following are areas recommended to be included in your personnel policies to reflect managerial best practices regarding communication and expectations of employees.

- Statement of employer vision, mission, and goals
- Organization Chart
- Statement of Governing Body/Board Members and role (if applicable)

#### **Basic Terms of Employment:**

- Hours of workday and workweek
- Overtime
- How time worked is documented
- When salaries are paid

#### Salaries and Benefits:

- Salary Range
- How increases are determined
- Benefits provided (as required by Department of Labor unemployment, work comp, etc.)
- Optional benefits provided (paid time off, child care discount, insurance, etc.)

### **Attendance and Leave Policies:**

- Attendance expectation
- Policies on tardiness and absences
- Vacation/Sick Leave
- Leave specific to other circumstances (jury duty, funerals, voting, maternity and etc.)

#### **Training Expectations and Requirements:**

- Orientation and training requirements
- Annual training requirements for Administrator
- Annual training requirements for Child Care Associate
- ] Annual training requirements for caregivers
- CPR and First Aid requirements

#### **Disciplinary Actions and Grievance Procedures:**

- Reasons for disciplinary action and process
- Reason for dismissal
- Grievance process
- Appeal process

#### **Other:**

- Smoking policy and areas
- Parking policy and areas
- Use of facility telephone and personal cell phone use
- Policy about staff's own children at facility (if applicable)
- Requirements and recommendations about appropriate clothing and language

#### **Facility Best Practice:**

- Supervision of children
- Child-to-caregiver ratios
- Maximum group size
- Caregiver behavior and attitudes toward children
- Behavior guidance
- Reporting abuse and neglect
- Medication stored and administered as required by 7 AAC 10.1070
- Reducing the spread of disease
- Transportation rules (during emergencies or regular transporting)
- Nutrition and infant feeding
- Equipment and supplies
- Children with special needs
- Diapering Procedures



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# PARENTS' GUIDE TO LICENSED CHILD CARE

This form is required to be included in a child care facility's policies and must be provided to parents at enrollment.

• Choosing care for your child is a significant decision.

When you entrust the care of your child to another person, you are making an important decision. Visit, ask questions, and carefully compare several programs. Licensed care includes child care homes, group homes, and centers. Your choice depends on what you want and need for your child.

• Licensing is a key to quality child care.

Licensing promotes good care by setting basic health and safety standards. Before a center, group home, or home is granted a child care license, it must meet minimum regulatory standards such as: health, safety, and program requirements. Child Care Licensing Specialists from the Child Care Program Office conduct on-site inspections at a facility to monitor regulatory compliance and to investigate reports of concern. The goal of licensing is to prevent predictable risks of harm to children; however, licensing cannot guarantee that a facility meets all requirements at all times.

• An informed parent is a key to quality child care.

Parents are responsible for choosing and monitoring their child's care. Licensors generally visit a minimum of twice a year, but you visit each time you take your child. Visit unexpectedly sometimes or in the middle of the day. Keep an eye on the quality of care. What do you see when you visit? Is the environment safe? Are caregivers knowledgeable, nurturing, and communicating with you about your child's daily care and needs? How many children are present, are there enough caregivers? Are activities appropriate? Watch how your child responds to the program and interacts with caregivers. Listen to what your child says and pay attention to changes in their behavior. It's ultimately a parent's decision to choose a facility which meets their family's needs and their standards for health, safety, and quality.

• What to do if you have questions or concerns about the care your child is receiving:

First discuss with your caregiver or the facility's Administrator or Child Care Associate if you have any concerns, observe any health or safety issues, or feel the facility's program needs improvement. If you are still concerned, believe children may be in danger, or feel a licensing standard has been violated, contact the Child Care Program Office toll free at 1-888-268- 4632 or via email at <u>CCPO@alaska.gov</u>

# CHILD TO CAREGIVER RATIO REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSED CHILD CARE FACILITIES

## **CHILD CARE HOMES**

- 1 caregiver required; must be at least 21 years of age
- No more than 5 children younger than 13 years of age including the caregiver's
- own children, without fire safety approval
- No more than 8 children total,
- younger than 13 years of age, including the caregiver's own children, with fire safety approval
- No more than 3 children under the age of 30 months
- No more than 2 children may be non-ambulatory
- No more than 5 children, including the caregiver's own children under the age
- of 18 years, are allowed in nighttime care between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., with fire safety approval

### **CHILD CARE GROUP HOMES**

- 2 caregivers required, one must be the Administrator and must be at least 21 years of age
- Caregivers must be at least 18 years of age
- No more than 12 children total younger than 13 years of age, including the caregiver's own children, with fire safety approval
- No more than 5 children under the age of 30 months
- No more than 4 children may be non-ambulatory
- No more than 5 children, including the caregiver's own children under the age of 18 years, are allowed in nighttime care between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., with fire safety approval

See 7 AAC 57.505 for child-to- caregiver ratio requirements allowing 1 caregiver in a Group Home.

#### **CHILD CARE CENTERS**

- Administrator and/or Child Care Associates must be at least 21 years of age
- 13 or more children in care, with fire safety approval

The number of caregivers, who are at least 18 years of age, needed to meet child-to-caregiver ratios:

- 1 caregiver for every 5 infants (birth through 18 months)
- 1 caregiver for every 6 toddlers (19 months up to 36 months)
- 1 caregiver for every 10 preschool children (3 and 4 year olds)
- 1 caregiver for every 14 kindergarten children (5 and 6 year olds)
- 1 caregiver for every 18 school age children (7 through 12 years old)

See 7 AAC 57.510 for allowable maximum group sizes in a Center.

# CHILD CARE FACILITIES MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS TO BE LICENSED

- Required to apply for a Provisional or Biennial License
- Must meet all licensing standards and requirements
- Must be in compliance with all licensing regulations
- Must allow Child Care Licensing access to inspect the facility and premises to ensure licensing compliance and to investigate complaints
- All staff/household members must have valid criminal history check from the State of Alaska Background Check Program
- All caregivers must meet the licensing early child development training requirements

#### **OBTAIN FROM PARENTS**

- Child's immunization records or an approved exemption form
- Child emergency information
  - o must be updated by parent when changes occur or
  - at least semi-annually
- Permission for:
  - $\circ$  medication administration
  - o transportation
  - o field trip participation
- A plan of care for a child identified with a special need
- A behavior guidance plan for a child with a behavior issue

### PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- Must promote children's healthy development
- Must include quiet and active, group and individual, indoor and outdoor activities
- Must include minimum of 20 minutes of vigorous physical activity for every 3 hours in care
- Must ensure screen time viewing is limited to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours in a 24- hour period
- Must have a specialization approved by Child Care Licensing to provide nighttime care or allow children to participate in a moderate risk activity

### SUPERVISION

- Ensure children are always supervised by an adult caregiver
- Ensure children receive age appropriate supervision
- Ensure a child's whereabouts are known at all times while in care
- Ensure child-to-caregiver ratios are always met

### SAFETY

- Must meet Child Care Licensing and fire safety standards
- Must have an emergency evacuation plan, train staff, and document monthly evacuation drills
- Ensure water temperature is between 100 and 120 degrees Fahrenheit
- Ensure firearms and ammunition are stored properly away from children. Note: firearms and ammunition are prohibited in a child care center.
- Ensure the facility is free of hazards inside and outside
- Ensure electric outlets accessible to children under age 5, have child protective outlet covers

### **BEHAVIOR GUIDANCE**

- Must be positive and never cruel, humiliating, or damaging to the child
- Must set realistic expectations and clear and consistent limits
- Must not be disciplined or punished related to eating, napping, or toileting
- Ensure if time-outs are used they are age appropriate and a child is never removed from other children for more than 10 minutes
- Ensure corporal punishment of children is prohibited. Note: corporal punishment means "the infliction of bodily pain as a penalty for a disapproved behavior. It includes: shaking, spanking, delivering a blow with a part of the body or an object, slapping, punching, pulling or any other action that seeks to induce pain."

#### HEALTH

- Ensure the facility meets cleaning and sanitation standards
- Ensure meals and snacks are nutritious and follow Alaska Food Program standards
- Ensure sanitary practices are used for food preparation and handling
- Must notify parents if their child is exposed to a contagious or communicable disease
- Ensure a medical provider approves attendance before admitting a seriously ill child
- Ensure drinking water is safe
- Ensure facility is smoke free
- Ensure there is always a caregiver with CPR and first aid certification present
- Ensure medicine and toxic materials are labeled and stored safely out of reach
- Ensure medicine is only administered with parent permission
- Ensure a caregiver's own child and all children in care are treated equitably

#### **EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES**

- Ensure furniture and equipment are safe and durable
- Ensure there is an adequate and varied amount of age appropriate toys and books available for children in care
- Ensure children have storage space for their belongings
- Ensure children under age 5 have a cot/mat/bed and bedding that is clean and sanitary for resting
- Ensure infants sleep on their backs in an approved crib free from materials and blankets that could increase the risk of suffocation

#### SPACE

- Must have indoor and outdoor space to accommodate the physical and developmental needs of children in care:
  - 35 square feet of usable indoor space per child
  - o 75 square feet of usable outdoor space per child



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# FIRST AID AND DISASTER KIT CHECKLIST

Facility:	Date:
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Reviewed By:	

This document is used to assist the child care facility in stocking First Aid and Disaster Kits with all of the items required by regulation.

#### Check box if found in first aid kit

Kit 1	Kit 2	Required Items
		1. Disposable nonporous, non-latex gloves
		2. Sealed packages of alcohol wipes or antiseptic for thermometer cleaning only
		3. Scissors
		4. Tweezers
		5. Thermometer
		6. Adhesive bandages
		7. Bandage tape
		8. Sterile gauze pads
		9. Flexible roller gauze
		10.Triangular bandages
		11. Safety pins
		12. Eye dressing
		13. Note pad with a pen or pencil
		14. Cold pack
		15. Current American Academy of Pediatrics or American Red Cross standard first aid
		text or equivalent first aid guide
		16. CPR barrier device or mask
		17. Telephone number for the poison control center
		18. Potable Water
		19. Splints, including small child-size splints
		20. Soap
		21. Working flashlight
		22. Child Emergency Information CC47 form and written permission for use of
		medication; only medication that is or may be needed for field trips and outings away
	_	from the facility for each child participating in the trip or outing.
		23. Container that will hold all of the above items
		Kit 2 is required for field trips or outings away from the Facility. One full Kit
		must remain in the facility at all times.

**Remember:** Restock each first aid kit after use and check regularly to ensure that any expiration date is not exceeded.

**Note:** If a child has special health need you may want to include additional supplies in your kit (example: Epipen, asthma inhalers, etc.)

# **CHILD CARE FACILITY**

## **REQUIRED ITEMS FOR YOUR \* ABBREVIATED FIRST AID KIT**

#### Check box if found in abbreviated first aid kit

- 1. Disposable, nonporous, non-latex gloves
- 2. Tweezers
  - 3. Adhesive bandages
  - 4. Bandage tape
  - 5. Sterile gauze pads
  - 6. Cold pack
    - 7. CPR barrier device or mask
  - 8. Potable Water
    - 9. Child Emergency Information CC47 form required by 7 AAC 57.400(a)(2)
    - 10. Medication that may be needed on the walk

\*An abbreviated first aid kit is not required but may be used for a neighborhood walk of 30 minutes or less in lieu of the second full kit.

**Remember:** Restock each first aid kit after use to ensure compliance with this section.

# **REQUIRED ITEMS FOR YOUR DISASTER KIT**

Check box if found in abbreviated first aid kit

- 1. (at least) One flashlight and batteries
- 2. (at least) One battery-operated radio and batteries
- 3. Potable water
  - 4. Nonperishable food
  - 5. Blankets

Note: Emergency preparedness organizations and government agencies such as the Red Cross and the Department of Homeland Security recommend maintaining enough supplies on hand to last for 72 hours.



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# Get Out Alive! Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Evacuation Plan

A licensed child care facility must have a disaster preparedness and emergency evacuation plan that includes evacuation procedures that will ensure the complete evacuation of children in care, including children with limited mobility, within 150 seconds (2 ½ minutes). For further information, refer to 7AAC 10.1010 (Licensed Providers). This form is provided for your convenience to document your facility's disaster preparedness and emergency evacuation plan or to use as a guideline for developing your own plan. All of the requirements listed in this guideline are required as part of your disaster preparedness and emergency evacuation plan.

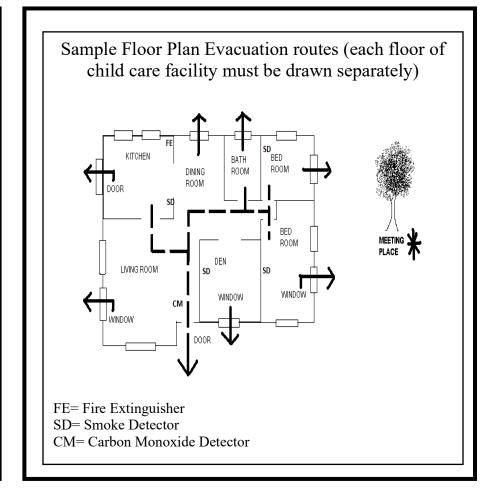
### The disaster preparedness and emergency evacuation plan requires both a floor plan mapping your child care facility's evacuation routes and a written plan describing the procedures to be followed.

## The floor plan must include identification of:

- Smoke detectors, fire extinguishers, and carbon monoxide detectors;
- Escape routes from every room with doors and windows clearly marked for each level of the child care facility; and
- Specified meeting place outside the facility.

# The written plan must describe detailed procedures the child care facility will follow, including:

- How the facility will ensure evacuation of everyone within 150 seconds, including children under 30 months of age, children with limited mobility, and children who otherwise may need assistance in an emergency, including a child who is mentally, visually, or hearing impaired;
- What the facility will do during emergency situations or natural disasters that may affect the facility, including, as appropriate:, fire, tsunami/ flooding, earthquake emergencies, lock-down, shelter in place and etc.;
- The relocation site and plan to reunify children with their parents in the event of the need to relocate due to an evacuation;
- How the facility will conduct and record monthly emergency evacuation drills and ensure participation of all employees who are on duty during the scheduled drill;
- The location of disaster and first aid kit(s); and
- Training of staff on the implementation of the Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Evacuation Plan.



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Facility Name:	Physical Address:	
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# **Child Care Facility Staffing Plan**

Facility:	Room:
Month/Year:	Age range:
Hours of Operation:	Number of Children:
Day(s) of week:	

**Caregiver Name** 

	Example			Number	Number	Required
	Staff			of Children	of Staff	Ratio
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6:00 am						
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Note: if providing nighttime care between the hours of 10:00 pm to 6:00 am complete page 2.

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# **Child Care Facility Staffing Plan**

(Use a separate form for each room or age group)

Facility:     Month/Year:	Room:Age range:
Hours of Operation: Day(s) of week:	Number of Children:

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	Example				Number	Number	Required
	Staff				of Children	of Staff	Ratio
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Position	ССА						
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3:30 am	X						
4:00 am	X						
4:30 am	X						
5:00 am	X						
5:30 am	X						
6:00 am	6:00						

#### **General Instructions for Completion:**

- For each staff member providing direct care enter the following information in their appropriate boxes:
  - o Name (first and last), if the individual is a current staff member and this information is known.
  - o Position: Use the following: ADMIN for Administrator, CCA for Child Care Associate, CG for Caregiver
  - CPR/FA by using a check mark to indicate the staff has valid certification(s)
- Indicate the time each staff begins providing direct care to children by entering their start time in the box. (For example: provides care at 7:15am enter in the 7:00am box "7:15"). Enter an "x" in each box indicating the times they are providing direct care. Indicate the time the staff stops providing direct care by entering in their end time in the box. (For example: stops providing care at 4:00pm enter in the 4:00pm box "4:00").
- New facilities complete form(s) as if operating at capacity.
- Staff to child ratios must be maintained at all times.

Licensed Home	Licensed Group Home	Licensed Center	
1:8 Staff/Child Ratio	2:12 Staff/Child Ratio	Ages of Children	Staff/Child Ratio
No more than 3 children under 30 Mo.	No more than 5 children under 30 Mo.	Birth to 18 Mo	1:5
No more than 2 non-ambulatory	No more than 4 non-ambulatory	19 Mo up to 36 Mo	1:6
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		Kindergarten- 5 and 6 Yrs	1:14

1:18

School Age-7 Yrs up thru 12 Yrs

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# CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND CHILD CARE LICENSING PROGRAM

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## PERMISSION TO OPERATE A CHILD CARE BUSINESS

An Applicant who applies for a Child Care License through the State of Alaska Child Care Licensing Program or to become an Approved Relative provider through the Child Care Assistance Program must meet all applicable requirements, including but not limited to the following:

- 1. The Applicant must submit evidence of the property owner's permission to operate a child care business prior to receiving a license or approval for program participation. This form completed and signed by the property owner/property manager must be submitted by the applicant as part of the licensing or child care assistance application packet.
- 2. The entity and premises must meet all of the regulatory health and safety requirements. An inspection by licensing will be conducted to determine the facility meets all health and safety requirements.
- 3. The entity must comply with local and state fire requirements, as applicable to facility type. An inspection or plan review by the local Fire Marshal will be conducted if the application is for six or more children to ensure the facility meets all applicable fire code requirements.
- 4. The entity must comply with Department of Conservation (DEC) requirements for water supply and/or wastewater and food preparation. An application to be licensed as a child care center requires an inspection by DEC. Applications to be licensed as a home or group home may require an inspection by DEC for water supply and/or wastewater disposal. An application to be an Approved Relative provider does not require an inspection by DEC for water supply and/or wastewater disposal.

This form must be filled out by the property owner or manager notifying the program of whether or not the applicant has your permission to operate a licensed or approved child care business in the building you own. If you have questions or concerns to report, please contact the Child Care Program Office toll free at 1 (888) 268-4632. Please keep a copy for your records.

Name of Applicant:
Physical Address of Facility:
Name of Property Owner/Property Manager:
Mailing Address of Property Owner/Manager:
Daytime telephone number of Property Owner/Manager:

Property Owner Property Manager

I give my permission for my tenant to operate a child care business at the aforementioned property. I attest that the covenants, homeowner's association bylaws, and other applicable neighborhood restrictions do not forbid operating a child care business at this address.

I do not give my permission for my tenant to operate a child care business at the aforementioned property.

Printed Name of Property Owner/ Property Manager

Date

Signature of Property Owner/ Property Manager



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# PLAN FOR SHARED USE OF A CHILD CARE FACILITY

Facility Name:

Identify the spaces that will be shared.

Describe how the building/premises will be shared? (Attach schedules, floor plans, etc. as needed to explain proposed shared use.)

Will there be any sharing of staff members? If so, attach *Child Care Facility Staffing Plan* CC71 describing how this will be handled?

List any anticipated short-term or ongoing events such as conferences and/or meetings for which the child care facility space will be used, if applicable. Include the name of the event(s) and associated date(s)/timeframe(s). If not applicable, write "None".

What is the facility's plan for safeguarding children and their confidential information, if applicable?

Administrator Printed Name

Administrator Signature

Date

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Enrollment requirements and procedures

Hours and days of operation, including holidays

Fees and payment requirements

# CHILD CARE LICENSING PROGRAM

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# CHILD CARE FACILITY PARENT POLICIES CHECKLIST

Facility Name:

This form provides child care licensing with information about the facility's parent policies. Please submit this form and all applicable attachments to your local Child Care Program Office (CCPO) for approval.

### **REQUIRED:**

7 AAC 57.410. At or before a child's admission, a child care facility shall supply a parent with the following information in writing:

	Summary plan for supervision of children (required for all facility types under 7 AAC 57.500 but must be in
	writing for centers per 7 AAC 57.410)
	Number and ages of children served
[	Policies and provisions for ill children, including parent permission for medication, if applicable
	Typical daily schedule of activities for each age group of children in care (7 AAC 57.520)
	Television and movie viewing, video games, and computer use policy (in compliance with 7 AAC
	57.520(a)(3) and (4))
	Behavior guidance practices (in compliance with 7 AAC 57.535)
	Cold weather outdoor play policy (following local school district outdoor recess policies is recommended)
	List of examples of meals and snacks served (7 AAC 57.560(a))
	Parent permission policy for activities away from the facility
	Transportation arrangements, if any (in compliance with 7 AAC 57.565(d))
	Parental access and visiting policy (in compliance with 7 AAC 57. 520(e))
	Use of substitute, emergency, and volunteer caregivers
	Animals present in the facility, if applicable (in compliance with 7 AAC 10.1090 (b))
	Firearms in the facility, if applicable (in compliance with 7 AAC 10.1080 (c))
	Poisonous plants in the facility, if applicable (in compliance with 7 AAC 10.1095 (b))
	Information provided by the Department about: the parent's role to help ensure a reasonably safe and
	developmentally appropriate environment; about the complaint investigation role of the Department; and
	contact information for the Department. This is satisfied by the facility providing the parent with a copy of
	the Parents' Guide to Licensed Child Care CC 61.
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Policy for notifying parents about any changes to the information in the policies above

**Note:** Additional parent policies can be added at the discretion of the facility, such as: facility closures, termination of care notification requirements, etc.

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