

MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

CHILD CARE REGULATIONS SUMMARY FOR PARENTS

Dear Parents,

The Regulations Governing Licensure of Child Care Facilities require that child care providers supply you with a summary of the Child Care Regulations that govern the licensure of child care facilities. You will find that information below.

The Child Care Regulations are the rules and regulations that each child care facility in Mississippi must follow in order to maintain their Child Care License. You, as a parent, are entitled access to these regulations. Among the subjects covered in the Child Care Regulations are:

Licensing Requirements	Buildings and Grounds	Children with Special Needs
Right of Entry and Violations	Health, Hygiene and Safety	Night Care
Facility Policies and Procedures	Nutrition and Meals	School-Age Care
Personnel Requirements	Discipline and Guidance	Summer Day Camp & School- Age Programs
Records	Transportation	Hourly Child Care
Reports	Diapering and Toileting	Hearings, Emergency
Staff Requirements	Rest Periods	Suspensions, Legal Action and Penalties
Program of Activities	Feeding of Infants and Toddlers	Release of Information
Equipment, Toys and Materials	Swimming and Water Activities	

APPENDICES

Appendix A - Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Statutes	Appendix F - Hand washing Procedure
Appendix B - Reportable Diseases	Appendix G - Diaper Changing Procedure
Appendix C - Nutritional Standards	Appendix H - Cleaning and Disinfection Procedure
Appendix D - Playground Safety Standards	Appendix I - Communicable Diseases & Conditions and Return to Child Care Guidelines
Appendix E - Dishwashing Procedure	

A full copy of the Child Care Regulations should be located in the Director's office of your child care facility. It should be available for your examination upon request. You may also access the Regulations at www.rnsdh.state.ms.us (from the left menu, select Licensure then Child Care) You may direct your questions to the local licensing official, ATt WiNE at (bOt) & 4b0 or you may contact the Child Care Licensure office in Jackson at (601)576-7613.

Should you have a complaint concerning a child care facility, contact the licensing official listed above or call the Child Care Licensure office, toll free, at 1-866-489-8734.

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