



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 Suspensions, Legal Action and Penalties
Staff requirements	Rest Periods	Release of Information
Program of Activities	Feeding of Infants and Toddlers	
Equipment, Toys and Materials	Swimming and Water activities	

APPENDICES

Appendix A – Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Statues	Appendix B – Reportable Diseases
Appendix C – Nutritional Standards	Appendix D – Playground Safety Standards
Appendix E – Dishwashing Procedure	Appendix F – Handwashing Procedure
Appendix G – Diaper Changing Procedure	Appendix H – Cleaning and Disinfection Procedure
Appendix I – Communicable Disease/ Conditions and Return to Child Care Guidelines	

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.msdh.state.ms.us, (go to Websites by Program, then Child Care Licensure. You may direct your questions to your local licensing official _____ at (____) _____, 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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