

# CHILD CARE REGULATIONS SUMMARY FOR PARENTS

Dear Parents,

The *Regulations Governing Licensure of Child Care Facilities* requires that child care providers supply you with a summary of the Child Care Regulations that govern the licensure of child care facilities.

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

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

## APPENDICES

Appendix A – Child Abuse & Neglect Reporting

Appendix C – Nutritional Standards

Appendix E – Dishwashing Procedure

Appendix G – Diaper Changing Procedure

Appendix I – Communicable Disease/Conditions & Return to Child Care Guidelines

Appendix J – Rules & Procedures for State Level Administrative Hearings

Appendix B – Reportable Diseases

Appendix D – Playground Safety Standards

Appendix F – Handwashing Procedure

Appendix H – Cleaning & Disinfection 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.healthmys.com](http://www.healthmys.com) (from the left menu, select *Licensure*, then *Child Care & Youth Camps.*) You may direct your questions to your local licensing officials, or you may contact the Child Care Licensure office in Jackson at (601) 364-2827.

Should you have a complaint concerning a child care facility, contact your local licensing official

\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_, email the Investigation Unit at [CC.ComplaintUnit@msdh.ms.gov](mailto:CC.ComplaintUnit@msdh.ms.gov) or mail the complaint to:

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Child Care Facilities Licensure  
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