

## 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 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 & 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 B – Reportable Diseases
- Appendix C – Nutritional Standards
- Appendix D – Playground Safety Standards
- Appendix E – Dishwashing Procedure
- Appendix F – Hand washing Procedure
- Appendix G – Diaper Changing Procedure
- Appendix H – Cleaning & Disinfection Procedure
- Appendix I – Communicable Disease/Conditions & Return to Child Care Guidelines
- Appendix J – Rules & Procedures for State Level Administrative Hearings

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.healthymms.com](http://www.healthymms.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:

Mississippi State Department of Health  
Child Care Facilities Licensure  
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