

Early Learning and Childcare Facility Inspection Report

Type of Inspection:
Monitoring Inspection

Pursuant to section 21 of the *Early Childhood Services Act*, operators of licensed early learning and childcare facilities must post their most recent inspection report in a clearly visible and prominent place in the facility.

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| Name of operator Hamilton Homestyle Daycare Ltd. | Licence Number 2008692 | Inspection Date May 09, 2025 |
| Facility Name Hamilton Homestyle Daycare | | Telephone Number (506) 652-9822 |
| Address 70 Gault Road Saint John NB E2M 5H2 | | |
| Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Robyn Nelson | | Position Title Quality Assurance Monitor |

| Order for Compliance | Regulation | Date to be corrected | Date corrected |
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| 31(3) An operator shall maintain the outdoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children. | 31(3) | May 07, 2025 | |
| Comments: Barnyard: Large grey storage bin broken. To be removed. Lid for outdoor toy bins to be replaced. Rusted play items to be removed. Weathervane rusted. To be removed or repainted. Back Playground: Wooden boards along fence to be repaired where worn. Lid for outdoor toy bin to be replaced. Rust on all play materials to be removed. | | | |
| 32(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall provide indoor play area materials and equipment that are (d) clean and in good repair. | 32(1)(d) | May 07, 2025 | |
| Comments: Observed three children's chairs with worn fabric in Margaret's Room and two children's fabric chairs with worn fabric in Peyton's room. To be cleaned, recovered or removed. Observed a wooden board in disrepair on a playhouse in Jack's Room. Board to be sanded and repainted. | | | |
| 39(1) A licensed facility shall have storage space that includes: (c) if services are provided to a child who is not toilet-trained, space for diapers, creams and wipes for the child. | 39(1)(c) | May 07, 2025 | |
| Comments: Observed labelled diaper creams stored together on same shelf. Diaper creams to be stored individually. | | | |
| 39(2) A licensed facility shall have a separate locked storage space that is inaccessible to the children for each of the following: (a) toxic products, chemical products and cleaning supplies; | 39(2)(a) | May 07, 2025 | |
| Comments: Observed one Magic Eraser, one Whiteout product, and Bingo Dabbers labelled Toxic unlocked. Toxic products to be locked when not in use. | | | |

| General Comments |
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| <p>A Monitoring Inspection was conducted on May 7, 2025.</p> <p>Children were observed engaging in a variety of activities during snack time, as well as during indoor and outdoor free play. Educators reported that children are currently interested in a wide range of topics. These include the garden centre in Grandpa's Room, worms and animals in Peyton's Room, reading and cars in Joshua's Room, a fire station in Jack's Room, loose parts in Hannah's Room, sensory play in Jaxon's Room, and dramatic play in Margaret's Room. Educators were observed playing an active role in supporting and extending children's outdoor experiences.</p> |

General Comments

Facility observations indicated that the daily incident log is consistently maintained, and outdoor play is provided for at least one hour within each four-hour block when most children are present, weather permitting. Monthly emergency evacuations are completed and visibly posted. Each room displays a daily routine in a visual schedule format. Evacuation procedures are posted in a prominent location, and information regarding life-threatening allergies is clearly displayed. Notices about communicable diseases are also visible to parents.

The facility reflects ideas from learning stories in areas such as art, library, kitchen, and dramatic play. Children's artwork is displayed, with names and dates included. The centre offers a varied supply of age-appropriate equipment, books, toys, and materials. Diaper changing procedures are clearly posted and visible to those completing changes. The infant outdoor play area is physically separate or used at alternate times to ensure safe access for all age groups.

A discussion with the Operator highlighted several strengths of the program, including opportunities for both individual and group experiences, the presence of multiple forms of literacy throughout the indoor environment, and the development of portfolios with the children. Various forms of documentation were observed, reflecting thoughtful planning and responsiveness to children's interests.

Areas for improvement were also discussed. These include ensuring that the most recent monitoring reports are posted, addressing access to the kitchen and storage closet, maintaining a bathroom cleaning checklist to document areas cleaned between uses, and ensuring that stepstools are regularly cleaned and maintained.

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Robyn Nelson

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

May 09, 2025

Date

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Heather Hamilton

Signature of Operator/Designate

May 09, 2025

Date