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.

Name of Operator		Inspection Date
Hamilton Homestyle Daycare Ltd.		November 24, 2026
Facility Name		**Licence Number**
Hamilton Homestyle Daycare		2008692
Address		**Telephone Number**
70 Gault Road Saint John NB E2M 5H2		(506) 652-9822
Type of Facility	**Maximum Number of Children**	**Ages of Children**
Full-time Early Learning and Child Care Centre	54	INFANTS PRESCHOOL
ELCC Licensing Staff	**Position Title**	
Kiesha Cobbett	Inspector	

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
33(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall provide outdoor play area materials and equipment that are varied and in sufficient quantity for the number and ages of the children receiving services at the licensed facility.	33(1)	Dec 07, 2026	

Comments: At the time of inspection, no outdoor play materials were available for children in the outdoor play environment. The on-site administrator advised that outdoor materials are frequently thrown over the fence by children or become damaged. Licensing staff discussed the requirement to ensure that children have access to a variety of outdoor play materials in sufficient quantity for all children in attendance. Licensing staff advised that materials thrown over the fence must be retrieved daily and that additional materials must be added and maintained in the outdoor play environment as needed. Examples include, but are not limited to, balls of various sizes, ride-on toys and wheeled toys, buckets, shovels and sand toys, loose parts (e.g., logs, stumps, wooden spools and natural materials), outdoor art materials, gardening materials, hula hoops, jump ropes, building and construction materials suitable for outdoor use, dramatic play materials, and nature exploration materials (e.g., magnifying glasses and bug viewers).

General Comments

Children were observed engaged in a variety of activities, including coloring, story time, show and tell, open snack, and block play. The classroom atmosphere appeared calm and positive, and the educators were observed activity engaging in play with the children.

Licensing staff met with the on-site administrator to discuss the non-compliance identified during the inspection. During discussions it was shared that outdoor play materials are frequently destroyed by children or thrown over the fence. Licensing staff acknowledged the challenges described and discussed strategies to support children's understanding of expectations for the use and care of outdoor materials. Licensing staff suggested creating a tote containing a variety of outdoor play materials and introducing the materials to the children during a group discussion. It was further suggested that the facility purchase a flip chart and facilitate a discussion with the children regarding the appropriate use of the new materials. The children's responses could then be documented and used to create a visual reference outlining how the materials should and should not be used. This approach may support children's sense of ownership and responsibility for maintaining the outdoor materials and environment.

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Kiesha Cobbett — November 24, 2026

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff — Date

original signed by
Courtney Abric — November 24, 2026

Signature of Operator/Designated staff — Date

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