

Early Learning and Childcare Facility Inspection Report

Type of Inspection:
Renewal 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 Runts N' Rascals Ltd.	Licence Number 2016190	Inspection Date September 22, 2021
Facility Name Runts N' Rascals		Telephone Number (506) 206-5437
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Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Tanya Gaudet		Position Title Inspector

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
24(1) For the purposes of subsection 20(1) of the Act, the following records and documents shall be maintained on the premises of a licensed facility: (c) staff member records that include (vi) a copy of a check with the Department of Social Development.	24(1)(c)(vi)	Sep 21, 2021	
Comments: While reviewing files, licensing staff noted that two staff need to renew their Social Development check as their current Social Development checks are more than 5 years old. When licensing staff brought this to the attention of the operator the operator immediately filled out the form to send to Social development.			
30(3) An operator shall maintain the indoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children.	30(3)	Sep 22, 2021	Sep 22, 2021
Comments: Deficiency is now compliant			
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)	Sep 21, 2021	Sep 21, 2021
Comments: Deficiency is now compliant			
43 An operator of a licensed facility shall not permit hot beverages in areas that are occupied by the children receiving services at the licensed facility, including the outdoor play area.	43	Sep 21, 2021	Sep 21, 2021
Comments: Deficiency is now compliant			
49(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall ensure that the guidance of the children receiving services at the licensed facility is positive and includes positive reinforcement, encouraging efforts and recognizing accomplishments.	49(1)	Sep 21, 2021	
Comments: According to Regulation 49(1) of the Early Childhood Services Act, an operator of a licensed facility shall ensure that the guidance of the children receiving services at the licensed facility is positive and includes positive reinforcement, encouraging efforts and recognizing accomplishments. Please ensure that all educators are using positive child guidance techniques while caring for children receiving services at the licensed facility.			
49(2) An operator of a licensed facility shall ensure that no child receiving services at the licensed facility is subjected to any form of physical punishment or verbal or emotional abuse or is denied physical necessities.	49(2)	Sep 21, 2021	

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<p>Comments: According to Regulation 49(2) of the Early Childhood Services Act, an operator of a licensed facility shall ensure that no child receiving services at the licensed facility is subjected to any form of physical punishment or verbal or emotional abuse or is denied physical necessities. While at the licensed facility, licensing staff heard an educator interact with a child by telling the child that they would not be going outside if he did not stop what they were doing. Please ensure that all educators are using positive child guidance techniques and ensuring that all children are included in all activities and outings, such as going outside to play with peers.</p>			

General Comments
<p>Licensing staff arrived at the licensed facility during morning drop off and was screened for Covid 19 by signing into the centre.</p> <p>The infants were engaging in free play activities before having their snack and before going outside to play. While outside, the infants were observed playing on the slide and with cars, while other infants explored the outdoor environment. The educators were observed counting the children and engaging with the children at their level.</p> <p>The two year old children were outside playing during the inspection visit. The children were seen balancing on a wooden balance beam, while other children rode on cars and climbed on the stationary equipment. The educators were seen engaging with the children at their level and were ensuring the safety of the children while outside. The educators in the two year old room were also observed counting the children while outside.</p> <p>The two and three year old group of children were also playing outside during the inspection visit. After playing outside the children went inside to wash up for lunch. After lunch, some children went down for a nap while other children engaged in a variety of quiet time activities.</p> <p>While licensing staff was observing the children during nap time, it was noted that the under fifteen month nap room was not being utilized on the day of the licensing inspection visit. When speaking with the operator of the licensed facility, licensing staff asked if the under 15 month infants are supervised in the nap room while sleeping? The operator replied that , in the past, she has a video monitor located in the nap room and did physical 15 minute checks to ensure the children are safe. Licensing staff relayed to the operator that infants under fifteen months are not to be unsupervised during nap time as the children are napping in playpens and according to Health Canada, playpens are not intended to be used for unsupervised sleep as they do not meet the same safety requirements and are not as durable as cribs therefore, playpens are not recommended for unsupervised sleep of children. Moving forward, please ensure that all children under 15 months are supervised during nap time.</p> <p>While conducting observations in the indoor environment, licensing staff observed the cleaning supplies being stored underneath the kitchen sink secured by a child-safe lock. All cleaning supplies and toxic materials must be secured in a cabinet or closet that is secured by a lock and key. When this was brought to the attention of the operator, the operator put a lock on the cabinet that requires a key to open it.</p> <p>While observing on the outdoor play environment, licensing staff noted that the protective surfacing needs to be raked up as it has been packed down over the summer. Please ensure that the pea rock is measured after it has been raked up to ensure there is adequate protective surfacing according to the manufacturers manual or according to the Canada Consumer Products and Safety Act.</p>

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Tanya Gaudet

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

September 22, 2021

Date

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Vistoria Duplessis

September 22, 2021

Signature of Operator/Designate

Date