

## 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 Little Treehouse Daycare Inc.	Licence Number 2021077	Inspection Date January 27, 2023	
Facility Name Little Treehouse		Telephone Number (506) 327-9184	
Address 1052 Northside Dr Minto NB E4B3H7			
Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Sabrina Diotte		Position Title Inspector	
Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
22 The daily routine of a licensed facility shall include (a) outdoor play for at least one hour in each four-hour block of time when the majority of children receiving services are in attendance except in the following circumstances: (i) the wind chill is below -20 °C; (ii) the temperature is below -20 °C; or (iii) the temperature is 33 °C with humidity or above.	22(a)	Feb 10, 2023	
Comments: The infants and the 2 years old's did not go outside in the morning and by 3 pm had not gone outside yet. Children, including infants, weather permitting (see exemptions in Operator Manual) are required to go outside 1 hour for every 4 hour block of time.			
22 The daily routine of a licensed facility shall include (b) a period of rest for a length of time that meets the needs of each infant and preschool child receiving services at the licensed facility but that does not exceed two consecutive hours unless there is a written request from a child's parent or guardian to extend the length of time.	22(b)	Feb 10, 2023	
Comments: The large room of mix 2-, 3- and 4-year-old did not have a quiet time. The children played. The children need to be provided with an environment that encourages sleep and quiet time. A nap time and quiet time routine must be implemented.			
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: (j) smoke alarm, smoke detector and fire extinguisher inspection and maintenance records.	24(1)(j)	Feb 10, 2023	
Comments: Smoke alarm/detector checks were not done for November, December and January is still not completed. These checks are required monthly.			
28(2) An operator of a licensed facility shall carry out emergency evacuation and fire drills monthly.	28(2)	Feb 10, 2023	
Comments: Fire drill was not done for November, December and January is still not done. Monthly fire drills are required.			
28(3) The premises of a licensed facility shall comply with (a) lighting, ventilation and other general health standards under the Public Health Act.	28(3)(a)	Feb 10, 2023	

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<p>Comments: Staff must wash their hands after each diaper change and in between each child. Staff were observed not washing their hands in between children when diaper changing. Staff must also properly wash under changing mats ( top and under), there was dirt and residue on and under the mats in both the infant and two-year-old room.</p> <p>Please see appendix D of the management of illnesses. When cleaning the rooms, carpets should be vacuumed daily. (the carpet in the two-year-old room is not done daily and had a large amount of lint on it). Soft washable toys such as plus toys should be washed weekly (many are soiled and not washed weekly) dress up clothes should be washed weekly. Please follow up with your Public Health Inspector about cleaning guidelines for bean bags, pillows, dogs beds and other fabric cushions used by all children for sitting.</p> <p>In addition, floors should be broomed and mopped daily. When doing so, large toys and structure should be moved to clean behind them.</p>			
<p>32(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall provide indoor play area materials and equipment that are (a) varied and in sufficient quantity for the number and ages of the children receiving services at the licensed facility.</p>	<p>32(1)(a)</p>	<p>Feb 10, 2023</p>	
<p>Comments: All classrooms need more materials and more variety. As per the Operator manual page 66, each of the following category must be present:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• art materials including loss parts</li> <li>• blocks and accessories</li> <li>• language and literacy</li> <li>• dramatic play</li> <li>• music and movement</li> <li>• items for gross motor</li> <li>• manipulative and fine motor</li> <li>• sand and water play</li> <li>• puzzles and games</li> <li>• materials that support mathematical learning</li> <li>• material that supports learning in science and technology</li> </ul> <p>None of the room have puzzles. Puzzles help with brain development, fine motor skills and coordination and should be available in all rooms.</p> <p>The 3/4 classroom, although seems to have many bins of supplies, 8 of those bins are wood blocks of similar function plus a full large cabinet of larger wood blocks. The following need to be added: puzzles, items for science, materials for mathematical learning and age-appropriate games.</p> <p>The 2-year-old room have two play kitchen/store like station which would be used for the same concept. Many of the plush toys and dolls are soiled and stained and need to be removed and replaced. The following needs to be added: clothing and accessories for the dolls, puzzles for this age group, music and movement items (the only item for music is two electronic piano and bells). There are also some electronic items that don't work, therefore, don't serve its purpose such as the plastic cooking burners, items that are not working need to be removed if cannot be repaired. The book area in this room should be cleaned out, there are many books that are not age appropriate and there are too many books for the children to see what is available to them. Books should be rotated to encourage continued interest. All items in this rooms should also be in bins and labeled.</p> <p>The infant room needs chairs that are age appropriate and that are small enough for the children to sit on. The chairs currently in the room are too tall for this age group. Six chairs must be provided.</p>			
<p>36(3) The rest area of a full-time early learning and childcare centre and an early learning and childcare home shall be equipped with the following: (b) a cot or nap mat appropriate for the height of the child for each child who is at least 15 months of age and under five years of age who takes naps.</p>	<p>36(3)(b)</p>	<p>Feb 10, 2023</p>	

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<p>Comments: The large room has a mix of 2-, 3- and 4-year-old. Most 2- and 3-year-old still nap. There are currently no mats for this classroom. Mats must be purchased for this room and in sufficient quantity for all children that require naps. Using the cozy corner is not suitable as it's just another play area for children as they were observed playing, in addition, children require their separate own mat/cot. The nap/quiet time routine for this group needs to be revised.</p>			
<p>41(1) A licensed facility at which services are provided to children who wear diapers shall have a sturdy surface that is (b) covered with a non-absorbent layer.</p>	<p>41(1)(b)</p>	<p>Feb 10, 2023</p>	
<p>Comments: The changing mats in both the infant and 2-year-old room needs to be replaced. One is soiled with permeant brown residue which makes for improper cleaning and disinfecting and the other has rips in it.</p>			
<p>41(3) An operator of a licensed facility shall (a) post diaper-changing procedures in diaper-changing areas.</p>	<p>41(3)(a)</p>	<p>Feb 10, 2023</p>	
<p>Comments: Diaper changing procedures were not posted in the infant room.</p>			
<p>44 An operator of a licensed facility shall have a first aid kit that is equipped with the contents prescribed by New Brunswick Regulation 2004-130 under the Occupational Health and Safety Act as a first aid kit that is not a personal, Type P first aid kit, and a telephone in working order (a) on the premises of the licensed facility.</p>	<p>44(a)</p>	<p>Feb 10, 2023</p>	
<p>Comments: Although there is a first aid kit on site, is does not meet the minimum requirement (no adhesive bandages or a list of content). Please review your first air kit and add any missing items.</p>			

**General Comments**

When I arrived, the children were getting ready for snack. The 3/ 4-year-old group went outside in the morning while the two other groups stayed inside and did some learning activities.

The 3/ 4-year-old group talked about the five senses and had sensory bins out and the infants did a fine motor activity with bowls and elastics.

The educators were engaged with the children, some were observed siting on the floor and playing with them.

Video cameras have been installed. As per Appendix 27, parents should sign a form stating that they are aware of cameras; however, the rights of their children to privacy when they are in the facility must be respected. In addition, signs should be posted advising that there is audio/video recording and a statement about video cameras must be added to the parent handbook.

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**Sabrina Diotte**

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 Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

January 27, 2023

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 Date

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**Sarah Jane Bancroft**

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 Signature of Operator/Designate

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