


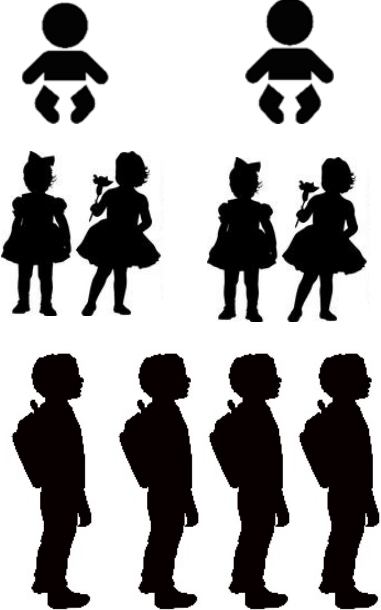


Number of Children Permitted in a Registered Family Child Care Home at any One Time

Children Under 24 Months	Preschool and Younger	School Age	Total number of children in care
<p>A provider may have only two children under 24 months in care.</p> <p>This number includes the provider's own children under 24 months.</p> <p>Children must be at least 6 weeks of age to be in child care. This does not include the provider's own children.</p> 	<p>A preschool or younger child is any child who is not yet attending kindergarten or eligible to attend kindergarten. (See school age section.)</p> <p>A provider may have up to 6 children who are preschool age or younger.</p> <p>For instance, if a provider has: 1 child under 24 months, they may have 5 preschool age children in care; 2 children under 24 months, they may have 4 preschool age children in care.</p> <p>This number includes both children in care and the provider's own children.</p> 	<p>School age children are children who are eligible to be attending kindergarten or are older.</p> <p>Children are considered to be school age the summer before they are eligible to enroll in a public school. For example, if you have a child who will be turning 5 years old in August, they would be considered a school age child in late June (after school gets out) because they are allowed to enroll in a public school kindergarten in September.</p> <p>A provider may have four school age children in addition to the six preschool or younger children in care. A provider may have more school age children if they have fewer preschool or younger children, as long as they have no more than ten children total.</p> <p>For instance, if there are: 5 preschool or younger children in care, they may have 5 school age; or 4 preschool or younger children in care, they may have 6 school age.</p> <p>A provider's own children, up to the age of 13, count as child care children when they are at home during child care hours.</p> 	<p>A provider may have a total of 10 children in care. Up to 6 of the children may be preschool age or younger. Only two of the preschool or younger children may be under 24 months.</p> <p>4Any children who are being supervised by the provider during child care hours count in the number, including: friends of provider's children who are just playing; scout troops meeting during child care hours; neighbor's children who drop in, etc.</p> 

EXAMPLES OF NUMBER OF CHILDREN PERMITTED IN REGISTERED FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES AT ANY ONE TIME

	Children Under 24 Months	Preschoolers	School Age	TOTAL
Example 1	0	6 (maximum)	4	10 (maximum)
Example 2	0	0	10 (maximum)	10 (maximum)
Example 3	1	3	6	10 (maximum)
Example 4	1	5	4	10 (maximum)
Example 5	2 (maximum)	4	4	10 (maximum)
Example 6	2 (maximum)	0	8	10 (maximum)
Example 7	2 (maximum)	3	5	10 (maximum)

- A. There can be no more than 2 children under the age of 24 months in care at any one time.
- B. There can be no more than 6 preschool or younger children in care, **including children under the age of 24 months.**
- C. Children eligible to attend kindergarten up to children who are 13 years old are counted as school age children.
- D. There can be **no more than 10 children in care at any one time.** Caregivers are *not* obligated to care for 10 children; the caregiver is free to determine the maximum number of children in care that is comfortable for their business as long as all of the legal ratios are met.
- E. Visiting children count in the maximum of 10 children in care, unless accompanied by a responsible supervising adult/parent.
- F. All children on the premises **under the age of 13** count in the maximum of ten children in care, **including children of the caregiver.**
- G. Children with special needs under the age of 18 may be served and will count in the total of ten maximum children in care.
- H. All children in care must be at least 6 weeks of age, except for the provider's children.