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| **Caring for Our Children Standards:**  STANDARD 1.1.1.2: Ratios for Large Family Child Care Homes and Centers \*Stepping Stones Standard\* Child:staff ratios in large family child care homes and centers should be maintained as follows during all hours of operation, including in vehicles during transport.  Large Family Child Care Homes • Less than 12 months of age, the maximum child-staff ratio is 2:1 and the maximum group size is 6 • Between 13 and 23 months of age, the maximum child-staff ratio is 2:1 and the maximum group size is 8. • Between 24-35 months of age, the maximum child-staff ratio is 3:1 and the maximum group size is 12. • For 3 year olds, the maximum child-staff ratio is 7:1 and the maximum group size is 12. • For 4 and 5 year olds, the maximum child-staff ratio is 8:1 and the maximum group size is 12. • For 6 to 8 year olds, the maximum child-staff ratio is 10:1 and the maximum group size is 12. • For 9 to 12 year olds, the maximum child-staff ratio is 12:1 and the maximum group size is 12. | | |
| Current Rules | Proposed Rule Concept | Notes |
| The number of caregivers is determined by the age and number of the youngest child(ren) in the group. If the provider is certified to care for more than 12 children and plans to care for more than 8 infants and/or toddlers, the provider must develop a plan showing how infants and toddlers will be limited to a group size of not more than eight. The plan must be approved by OCC:  (a) If all children are in the same age group, the following table determines the staff/child ratio [TABLE A];  (b) If children in care include any infants and/or toddlers, the following table determines the staff/child ratio [TABLE B];  (c) If children in care include a mix of only preschool and school aged children, the following table determines the staff/child ratio [TABLE C]; | Table A reflects the required staff/child ratio based on the number of children in care at any given time during the day. These ratios shall be met at all times. [TABLE A – REVISED]  The certified family child care provider may care for 10 children ages 6 weeks to school-age if:  (a) No more than 6 children are preschool-age or younger, including the provider’s own children and any staff children;  (b) Of the 6 children, only 2 children are under 24 months of age; and  (c) Four of the children are school-age.  If more than 8 children are under 24 months, the groups must be separated with a maximum of eight children under 24 months in any one group. | Table A – revised will provide a details explanation of the number of children in care, the ages of the children in care and the required number of caregivers for those groups.  Ratios and groups size have no proposed changes in the rule revision. The revised table is new and is a more detailed and less complicated chart. |

Current Tables

Table A

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| **When All Children in Care Are:** | **No Group May Exceed:** | **With a Caregiver to Child Ratio of:** |
| Six Weeks to 24 Months | 12 | 1:4 |
| 24 Months to Eligible for First Grade | 12 | 1:10 |
| Eligible for First Grade to Age 13 | 16 | 1:15 |

Table B

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| **When Children in Care Include:** | **No Group May Exceed:** | **With a Caregiver to Child Ratio of:** |
| One Child Under 24 Months | 12 | 1:8 |
| Two Children Under 24 Months | 12 | 1:7 |
| Three Children Under 24 Months | 12 | 1:6 |
| Four or More Children Under 24 Months | 12 | 1:4 |

Table C

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| **When All Children in Care Are:** | **No Group May Exceed:** | **With a Caregiver to Child Ratio of:** |
| One Child in Care Age 24 Months to Eligible for First Grade; the rest of children in care are school-age | 12 | 1:12 |
| Between two and 12 Children are Between 24 Months and Eligible for First Grade; the rest of the children are school-age | 12 | 1:10 |

Table A – Revised

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| **Certified Family Child Care Home Tables** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **16**  **Children in Care** | | |  | **15**  **Children in Care** | | |  | **14**  **Children in Care** | | |  | **13**  **Children in Care** | | |
| **Age Under 2** | **Age**  **Over 2** | **Staff**  **Required** | **Age**  **Under 2** | **Age**  **Over 2** | **Staff**  **Required** | **Age Under 2** | **Age**  **Over 2** | **Staff**  **Required** | **Age Under 2** | **Age**  **Over 2** | **Staff**  **Required** |
| 16 | 0 | 4 | 15 | 0 | 4 | 14 | 0 | 4 | 13 | 0 | 4 |
| 15 | 1 | 4 | 14 | 1 | 4 | 13 | 1 | 4 | 12 | 1 | 3 |
| 14 | 2 | 4 | 13 | 2 | 4 | 12 | 2 | 4 | 11 | 2 | 3 |
| 13 | 3 | 4 | 12 | 4 | 4 | 11 | 4 | 4 | 10 | 3 | 3 |
| 12 | 4 | 4 | 11 | 4 | 4 | 10 | 4 | 3 | 9 | 4 | 3 |
| 11 | 5 | 4 | 10 | 5 | 3 | 9 | 5 | 3 | 8 | 5 | 3 |
| 10 | 6 | 4 | 9 | 6 | 3 | 8 | 6 | 3 | 7 | 6 | 3 |
| 9 | 7 | 3 | 8 | 7 | 3 | 7 | 7 | 3 | 6 | 7 | 3 |
| 8 | 8 | 3 | 7 | 8 | 3 | 6 | 8 | 3 | 5 | 8 | 3 |
| 7 | 9 | 3 | 6 | 9 | 3 | 5 | 9 | 3 | 4 | 9 | 2 |
| 6 | 10 | 3 | 5 | 10 | 3 | 4 | 10 | 2 | 3 | 10 | 2 |
| 5 | 11 | 3 | 4 | 11 | 3 | 3 | 11 | 2 | 2 | 11 | 2 |
| 4 | 12 | 3 | 3 | 12 | 2 | 2 | 12 | 2 | 1 | 12 | 2 |
| 3 | 13 | 2 | 2 | 13 | 2 | 1 | 13 | 2 | 0 | 13 | 2 |
| 2 | 14 | 2 | 1 | 14 | 2 | 0 | 14 | 2 |  |  |  |
| 1 | 15 | 2 | 0 | 15 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 16 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **12**  **Children in Care** | | |  | **11**  **Children in Care** | | |  | **10**  **Children in Care** | | |  | **9**  **Children in Care** | | |
| **Age Under 2** | **Age**  **Over 2** | **Staff**  **Required** | **Age**  **Under 2** | **Age**  **Over 2** | **Staff**  **Required** | **Age Under 2** | **Age**  **Over 2** | **Staff**  **Required** | **Age Under 2** | **Age**  **Over 2** | **Staff**  **Required** |
| 12 | 0 | 3 | 11 | 0 | 3 | 10 | 0 | 3 | 9 | 0 | 3 |
| 11 | 1 | 3 | 10 | 1 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 3 | 8 | 1 | 3 |
| 10 | 2 | 3 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 7 | 2 | 2 |
| 9 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 3 | 3 | 7 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 2 |
| 8 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 2 |
| 7 | 5 | 3 | 6 | 5 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 2 |
| 6 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 2 |
| 5 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 7 | 2 | 2 | 7 | 2 |
| 4 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 8 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 2 |
| 3 | 8 | 2 | 2 | 9 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 2 | 0 | 9 | 1 |
| 2 | 10 | 2 | 1 | 10 | 2 | 0 | 10 | 1 |  |  |  |
| 1 | 11 | 2 | 0 | 11 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 12 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **8**  **Children in Care** | | |  | **7**  **Children in Care** | | |  | **6**  **Children in Care** | | |  | **5**  **Children in Care** | | |
| **Age Under 2** | **Age**  **Over 2** | **Staff**  **Required** | **Age**  **Under 2** | **Age**  **Over 2** | **Staff**  **Required** | **Age Under 2** | **Age**  **Over 2** | **Staff**  **Required** | **Age Under 2** | **Age**  **Over 2** | **Staff**  **Required** |
| 8 | 0 | 2 | 7 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 2 |
| 7 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 2 |
| 6 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 5 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| 4 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 1 |
| 3 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 1 |
| 2 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 1 |  |  |  |
| 1 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 7 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 8 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |