



California Department of
Social Services



Child Care Advocate Program

CHILD CARE FOOD PROGRAM

FAMILY CHILD CARE HOME CHECKLIST



COMMUNITY CARE LICENSING DIVISION
"Promoting Healthy, Safe and
Supportive Community Care"

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There are no more children than the license allows.

Staffing ratios are maintained:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Assistant Provider Required</u>
<u>Small Family Child Care Home*</u>	
▪ 4 Infants only, or	No
▪ 6 Children (no more than 3 infants), or	No
▪ 8 Children (no more than 2 infants, and 2 children are 6 years or older)	No

Large Family Child Care Home*

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| ▪ 12 Children (no more than 4 infants), or | Yes, when 7 th child comes for care** |
| ▪ 14 Children (no more than 3 infants,
and 2 children are 6 years or older) | Yes, when 9 th child comes for care** |

- Assistant provider is at least 14 years of age.
- Home has a 2A:10BC fire extinguisher and smoke alarm. Both work.
- There is a working telephone.
- Emergency phone numbers are close to the working phone.
- Stairs have gates.
- Smoking is not permitted while children are in care.
- Babywalkers, bouncers, and jumpers are not used.
- Copies of licensing reports and substantiated complaints are available for review.
- Swimming pools, spas, hot tubs, fish ponds and any similar bodies of water are covered or fenced. (Fence must be at least 5 feet high)
- Outdoor play areas are fenced. If not fenced, licensee or assistant is with the children at all times when outside.

*Includes children under age 10 who live in the licensee's home and assistant providers children under age 10.

**When assistant not present, small family child care home ratios apply.