

DAYCARE ADULT TO CHILD RATIOS



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Department of Health



CHILDREN'S AGE IN MONTHS

0 TO 12
MONTHS

12 TO 24
MONTHS






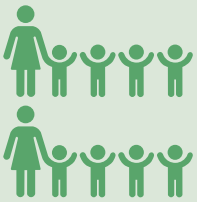

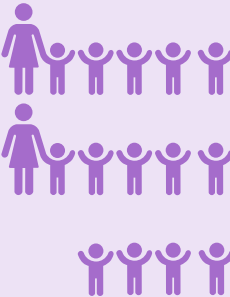
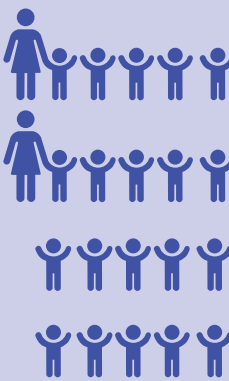
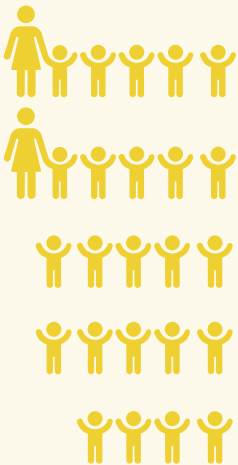
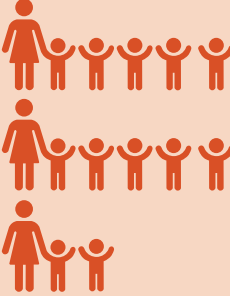
24 TO 36
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36 TO 48
MONTHS

OVER 48
MONTHS

RATIO OF ADULTS TO CHILDREN

Staff to Child Ratio: The number of children for whom each provider is responsible.
A 1:3 ratio requires one staff to supervise no more than 3 children

 <p>1 STAFF TO 3 CHILDREN</p>	 <p>1 STAFF TO 3 CHILDREN</p>	 <p>1 STAFF TO 4 CHILDREN</p>	 <p>1 STAFF TO 5 CHILDREN</p>	 <p>1 STAFF TO 8 CHILDREN</p>
 <p>2 ADULTS TO 8 CHILDREN</p>	 <p>2 ADULTS TO 10 CHILDREN</p>	 <p>2 ADULTS TO 14 CHILDREN</p>	 <p>2 ADULTS TO 20 CHILDREN</p>	 <p>2 ADULTS TO 24 CHILDREN</p>
	 <p>3 ADULTS TO 12 CHILDREN</p>			



NUMBER OF CHILDREN / GROUP SIZE

Group size: The total number of children assigned to one or more provider and occupy a well defined space or self-contained classroom

max group size

8



max group size

12



max group size

14



max group size

20



max group size

24



STAFF, ASSISTANTS AND MIXED AGE GROUPS

- Staff - a trained adult with a Bermuda College Certificate/ degree in Early Childhood or their equivalents. A minimum of 18 years of age.
- Assistant- minimum of 16 years and under the direct supervision of a qualified staff at all times (sight and sound).
- Children aged 12-24 months are the only group permitted to increase staff to increase the group size.
- Ratios for a mixed age group of children younger than 3 years are based on the age of the youngest child in the class
- Ratios for a mixed age group of children 3 and older are based on the majority of children in the class.

In addition to group sizes and ratios, the day care centre must also consider the following requirements:

- 25 sq.ft. per child of usable indoor space as highlighted on your licence (i.e. not the kitchen, bathrooms, etc.)
- 50 sq. ft. per child of outdoor space
- One flush toilet and wash basin for every 15 children
- One potty for every 3 children being trained
- Cribs and cots must be placed a minimum of 2ft. apart