

Inspection report for early years provision

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Type of setting Childminder

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Introduction

This inspection was carried out by Ofsted under Sections 49 and 50 of the Childcare Act 2006 on the quality and standards of the registered early years provision. 'Early years provision' refers to provision regulated by Ofsted for children from birth to 31 August following their fifth birthday (the early years age group). The registered person must ensure that this provision complies with the statutory framework for children's learning, development and welfare, known as the *Early Years Foundation Stage*.

The provider must provide a copy of this report to all parents with children at the setting where reasonably practicable. The provider must provide a copy of the report to any other person who asks for one, but may charge a fee for this service (The Childcare (Inspection) Regulations 2008 regulations 9 and 10).

The setting also makes provision for children older than the early years age group which is registered on the voluntary and/or compulsory part(s) of the Childcare Register. This report does not include an evaluation of that provision, but a comment about compliance with the requirements of the Childcare Register is included in Annex B.

There were no children on roll when this inspection took place. The findings in this report are based on evidence gathered from discussions with those who care for the children and an inspection of the premises, equipment and relevant documentation. Where there are no children on roll, no judgement is made on the quality of the early years provision as there is no reliable evidence on which to assess its impact on children. The report states if the provider continues to meet the requirements of registration.

Please see our website for more information about each childcare provider. We publish inspection reports, conditions of registration and details of complaints we receive where we or the provider take action to meet the requirements of registration.

Description of the childminding

The childminder was registered in 2006. She lives in Woodford Green, Essex. The premises are accessed via a security system and a lift or stairs to the fourth floor. Children have access to a large, shared garden area for outside play. The childminder is registered to care for a maximum of four children at any one time, and there are currently no children on roll. The childminder walks to local schools to take and collect children and is a member of the National Childminding Association. She is registered on the Early Years Register and both the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register.

The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The childminder is familiar with most of the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS), and has attended training in this area. However, she does not hold a current first aid certificate or have a record of a risk assessment on the premises, environment and equipment. She provides a warm and friendly home for children and demonstrates a commitment to supporting their progress and achievement. The childminder is fully aware of her role and responsibility to protect children at all times, and knows the correct procedures to follow should she have any concerns.

Toys and equipment are available to meet the needs of all young children and the childminder has good ideas for activities and experiences for children of all ages. She would make sensitive observations of children at play and use this information to plan for their next steps in development and to make assessments of children's developmental progress. The premises are safe and secure and fit for the purpose of childminding. The childminder is committed to providing an inclusive environment. She gathers information from parents about their children at the start of each placement, and continues effective daily communication with them throughout. The childminder also demonstrates a willingness to work in partnership with other agencies and professionals in order to ensure that each child's individual needs are met and that they receive any additional support they require.

Compliance with registration requirements

In order to continue to meet the requirements of registration, the registered person must take the following action by the specified date:

ensure that a paediatric first aid certificate is obtained.
 First aid training must be approved by the local authority and be consistent with the guidance set out in the Practice Guidance for the Early Years Foundation Stage (Safeguarding and promoting children's welfare) (also applies to both parts of the Childcare Register)

09/04/2010

 conduct a risk assessment which identifies aspects of the environment that need to be checked on a regular basis, and review it regularly; at least once a year or more frequently where the need arises (Suitable premises, environment and equipment) (also applies to both parts of the Childcare Register) 22/01/2010

Annex B: the Childcare Register

The provider confirms that the requirements of the Not Met (with compulsory part of the Childcare Register are: actions)

The provider confirms that the requirements of the voluntary part of the Childcare Register are:

Not Met (with actions)

The registered provider does not meet the requirements of the compulsory and or voluntary part/s of the Childcare Register.

To comply with the requirements of the compulsory part of the Childcare Register, the registered person must take the following action/s by the specified date:

take action as specified in the early years section of the report (Welfare of children being cared for)
take action as specified in the early years section of the report (Suitability and safety of premises and equipment).

To comply with the requirements of the voluntary part of the Childcare Register, the registered person must take the following action/s by the specified date:

•	take action as specified in the early years section of	09/04/2010
	the report (Welfare of children being cared for)	
•	take action as specified in the early years section of	22/01/2010
	the report (Suitability and safety of premises and	
	equipment).	