

## Inspection report for early years provision

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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*.

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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.

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## Description of the childminding

The childminder was registered in 2001. She lives with her husband and teenage son. The family live in a house in Upminster, in the London Borough of Havering, which is within walking distance of local schools, shops, parks, bus routes and a main line train station. The ground floor family room is the main area used for childminding. Minded children do not have access to the garden. The family has two dogs.

The childminder is registered by Ofsted on the Early Years Register and both the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. She is registered to care for a maximum of six children under eight years at any one time, of whom no more than three may be in the early years age range. There are currently no children on roll in the early years age range. She also offers care to children aged over five years to 11 years. The childminder will walk children to local schools and will take them to local groups and centres.

## The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

Sound systems are in place which will help the childminder to protect and safeguard any children she cares for. She demonstrates a suitable knowledge and understanding of her responsibility to protect children. She takes reasonable steps to make sure that hazards on the premises are kept to a minimum. The childminder is aware of the need to conduct risk assessments on the premises and for all outings. The childminder does not have up to date public liability insurance in place, which is a breach of requirement.

The childminder understands the importance of providing an inclusive environment where everyone is welcome. She described how she meets children's individual needs by working in consultation with parents. The childminder demonstrates a sound understanding of how she intends to make sure she meets the everyday care and welfare routines of children. The childminder explained how she will obtain information from parents about children's likes, dislikes and interests so that she can meet their individual needs appropriately. The childminder plans to promote a healthy lifestyle through the provision of healthy food, drinks, regular exercise and fresh air. She described how she will implement appropriate boundaries and behaviour management methods to help children understand what acceptable behaviour is. The childminder has taken reasonable steps to evaluate her practice and drive improvement. She has addressed the recommendations from her last inspection. She has completed a paediatric first aid course; implemented a daily record of children's attendance to include all children's arrival and departure times, and she maintains an accurate record of all accidents and injuries. The childminder therefore shows the capacity to maintain continuous improvement.

The childminder intends to offer a balance of adult-led and child-initiated activities in a relaxed and homely environment, which will include opportunities for children to learn about equality and diversity. She is able to demonstrate, through discussion, activities and a range of resources likely to help promote all areas of

learning. A balance of indoor and outdoor activities will provide children with opportunities to make progress in all areas of their learning and development. Suitable systems are in place for her to be able to gather information from parents about their child upon admission. Parents would be kept fully informed about their child's progress through daily communication, and the childminder will encourage parents to contribute to their child's assessments. She explained how she will use assessments as part of monitoring children's progress and identifying their next steps in learning.

## **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 public liability insurance is carried for the provision (Suitable premises, environment and equipment). 30/06/2012

## Annex B: the Childcare Register

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

Not Met (with 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 (Insurance). 30/06/2012

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:

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