

Comparison of Requirements for Licensed Family and Residential Certificate

Licensed Family	Residential Certificate
<p>Capacity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May care for up to 16 children including provider's & caregiver's own children under age 4. 	<p>Capacity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May care for up to 8 children including provider's & caregiver's own children under age 4.
<p>Ratios</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All children under age 4 count in ratios including the provider and employee's own children • 1 caregiver for up to 8 children, including no more than 3 children under age 2, when at least one of the toddlers is at least 18 months old; OR • 2 caregivers for 9-16 children including no more than 6 children under age 2, when at least two of the toddlers are at least 18 months old. 	<p>Ratios</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All children under age 4 count in ratios including provider's own children • 1 caregiver for up to 8 children including no more than 2 children under age 2.
<p>Records & Documents</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fire & disaster drills must be documented in writing. • Daily schedule of activities must be posted. 	<p>Records & Documents</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is not required to document fire & disaster drills. • A posted daily schedule is not required.
<p>Training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20 hours of training are required annually for the provider & each caregiver. • 10 of the 20 hours must be interactive training. 	<p>Training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 hours of training are required annually for the provider. • 5 of the 10 hours must be interactive training.
<p>Outdoor Play Area</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must have an outdoor play area that is safely accessible & meets licensing rules. • Children must have a daily opportunity for outdoor play, weather permitting. 	<p>Outdoor Play Area</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children may not play outside on premises unless the outdoor play area meets licensing rules. • A daily opportunity for outdoor play is encouraged, but not required.
<p>From the Department of Workforce Services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State-funded child care reimbursements are paid at a higher rate. • Eligible for a \$400 start up grant from CAC 	<p>From the Department of Workforce Services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State-funded child care reimbursements are paid at a lower rate. • Not eligible for a start up grant from CAC