



HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

We will provide an environment that is safe with as minimal risk as possible to the health and wellbeing of the children, educators and parents/caregivers. We will ensure that all activities undertaken while the service is in operation will not be potentially hazardous and that all hazardous materials will be used and stored appropriately.

Procedure:

- Non-hazardous and non-toxic products will be used wherever possible.
- Environmentally friendly products should be used wherever possible and practical.
- Hazardous machinery, chemicals and activities which are likely to cause potential danger to children, educators or others in the centre will not be used or undertaken while the service is in operation.
- Should any pests or vermin be identified then action should be taken to rid the service of the problem by initially using non-chemical methods such as physical removal, maintaining a clean environment, and use of any non-chemical products.
- Low irritant, environmentally friendly sprays to be used minimally and only with adequate ventilation, and preferably not in the presence of the children.
- Aerosol cans such as spray paints etc., used for specific activities, will only be used outside in a well-ventilated area.
- All educators will be made aware of any potentially dangerous products, which may pose a danger to the children and where these are stored.
- All potentially dangerous products will be stored in the appropriate containers, clearly labelled and stored in a designated and appropriate secured area which is inaccessible to the children.
- Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) will be kept for all chemicals stored on the premises, and will be kept in the same location as the chemical is stored.

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