



OUTINGS POLICY

Policy statement:

I will keep children safe on outings whilst in my care.

Procedure:

In order to do this, I will ensure that:

The ratio of adults to children on any outing will never be less than one adult for a maximum of six children under the age of eight. A maximum of these children will be under five and only one child will be under the age of one year.

I carry out a trial run and full risk assessment of the proposed outing, noting opening times, timetables for public transport/car parking arrangements and toilets/nappy changing facilities etc. I also take into account any national or local restrictions.

Although not a statutory requirement, I obtain written parental permission for children to take part in regular, local outings whilst in my care and specific written permission for a longer outing.

I take essential records and equipment for each child on outings as necessary, including contact telephone numbers for parents, a first-aid kit and a mobile telephone.

I keep records of my own and any other vehicles in which children are transported, including insurance details, a list of named drivers, and I make these available to parents.

I will ensure that I and any other driver transporting children in their own vehicle have adequate business insurance cover and age-appropriate car safety seats. This also applies to the use of mini cabs.

I make parents aware of what I will do in the event of a lost child (please refer to my Lost child policy).

This policy also links with my Accident, incident and emergency procedures and Lost child policy.

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This policy supports the following Early years foundation stage statutory framework for childminders requirements:

Section 3 – Safeguarding and welfare requirements

- Safety and suitability of premises, environment and equipment - Outings