

EQUIPMENT GUIDE^{i, ii}

Overview:

The licensing rules require a minimum of forty (40) items of equipment for each ten (10) day care children in the license capacity. There must be at least four (4) “items” of equipment from each of the eight (8) specified categories and an additional 8 items from any category for every 10 children.

In order to verify the amount and access to equipment, CCFS will need to determine the following:

- If the equipment is in good working condition, e.g. working, not broken, has batteries (if applicable) etc.;
- If the equipment is either an “item” or a “set”; and
- If the “item” can be used alone by a child for an activity or if the “item” has to be used with another piece of equipment. For example, a single paint brush or a set of three (3) paint brushes, will not afford a painting activity without some paper and paint. Therefore, in order for a group of ten (10) children to have a painting activity, there would need to be a constantly replenished supply of paint and paper—in order to count the brush(es) as an “item”. If an easel is counted as an “item”, there must also be paint, paper, and brushes for a painting activity.

When an “item is represented by a “set”, the following “sets” may be counted:

- 60-80 crayons;
- 80-100 blocks;
- 6 cars, trucks;
- 10 books;
- 10 garments/accessories-dramatic play;
- 5 puzzles.
- Dishes for housekeeping area;
- Rhythm instruments;
- Woodworking tools, bench with wood, etc.;
- Magnets;
- Measuring cups;
- Board game;
- 5 pieces Props – (animals, people etc.)

Family Child Care Home Rule Reference

- **19 CSR 30-61.095 (2) (A)3:** Toys or materials that come in sets shall be considered one (1) item.

Group Child Care Home/ Child Care Center Rule Reference

- **19 CSR 30-62.092 (2)(A)3:** Toys or materials that come in sets shall be considered one (1) item.

**SAMPLES OF AVAILABLE EQUIPMENT
FOR FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES/GROUP HOMES/CENTERS
PRESCHOOL/SCHOOL-AGE**

A minimum of forty (40) items shall be required; at least four (4) from each category and an additional 8 in any category for every ten (10) children in the license capacity.

Blocks, Construction, and Transportation Toys

Unit Blocks (100 per 10 children) Cars, Trucks, Trains, Buses Flexible, Wooden, or Waffle Blocks Foam Blocks Rig-A-Magijs Snap Cubes Star Builders	Block Play Traffic Signs Lincoln Logs Legos or Duplos Soft Blocks Shape Blocks Wooden Blocks (table or floor size) Cardboard Blocks Building Wheels
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Manipulatives

Peg Board and Pegs Parquetry Blocks Stringing Beads, Buttons, Or Beans Legos Octons Constructo Straws Stringing Beads, Buttons, or Beans Board Games Puzzles – multi-piece – floor or table type – age appropriate	Shape Sorters Mosaic Sets Lacing Shapes, Cards Nuts and Bolts Sort and Stack Stack-A-Peg Dominoes Nesting Toys
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Creative Arts (Consumables need to be replaced as used.)

Easel Wood Working Bench/Tools Sand/Water Table	Consumables: Crayons – large Clay Bottles for Paint Paste or Glue Chalk Stamps and stamp pads Stickers	String Play Dough – homemade Sponges, Sponge Paint Brushes Water Color Markers Paint and Brushes
Child-size scissors – safety type can be used for right or left hand Assorted types of paper (computer type works well)		

Large Muscle Activities

Snap Blocks Trikes Large Trucks to ride Big Wheels Bean Bags Ring Toss Climbers – resilient material required	Balls – Nerf, utility, four square Jump Ropes Large Cardboard Blocks Play Tunnel Punching Bag or Ball Balance Beam Swings – resilient material required Hula Hoops
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Library and Language Activities

Books Puppets Hand Puppet Sequencing Cards Bingo Game – color, shape, number Candyland	Cassettes Matching Picture Sets Record/Record Players Flannel Board Stories Picture Lotto Game Picture Flash Cards CD player/CDs
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Music and Rhythm Activities

Record Player/CD player Cassette Tapes/CDs VCR/DVDs Song Book	Colored scarfs Head Phones/Jack Box TV Cassette Player/Recorder/Radio
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Musical Instruments – bells, xylophone, drum, rhythm sticks, castanets, music shakers, keyboard

Dramatic and Housekeeping Play

Table and Chairs Pots and Pans Ironing Board/Iron Dolls (1 per child allowed in area) Food Props – plastic imitations Puppets Plastic Bowls Dress-up Clothes/Prop Box Housekeeping unit with Dishes – refrigerator, sinks, stove, cabinet etc. Animals – zoo, farm, jungle, and dinosaurs (not stuffed)	Dishes Doll Stroller Doll Bed Doll High Chair Puppet Curtain or Theater Telephones Measuring Cups, Spoons, Whisks Wooden Spoons
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Science Activities or Sensory Experiences

Feely Boxes Magnets Magnifying Glass Color Paddles Flashlight Bucket and Shovel Gardening Supplies Kaleidoscopes Thermometers	Scale Feel and Match Textures Measuring Cups/Spoons/Scoops/Bowls Whisks Dish Pan (water play) Aquarium Compasses Maps Globe
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1. Substitutions okay
2. If things fit more than one category, can only count in one.

SAMPLES OF AVAILABLE EQUIPMENT FOR FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES/GROUP HOMES/CENTERS INFANT/TODDLER (I/T)	
One item from each category for each I/T in the capacity.	
Push-Pull Toys	
String Pull Toys	Push Toys – firm push handle
Balls or Other Large Muscle Equipment	
Balls Swing Small Climber Transportation toys to ride on (use feet with them)	Mats Fascination Mat
Blocks, Stacking Toys or Other Manipulatives	
Nesting cups Rattles – assorted types Pop up surprise box Foam blocks Stacking rings Jumbo pegs for stringing Large pegs – peg board Unbreakable mirrors Activity centers – freestanding	Shape Sorter Baby toy links Jumbo pop beads Sort and see bucket Cardboard blocks Fit a Shape Telephones
Cloth or Plastic Coated Books	
<i>Card board books are not to be counted towards the requirement.</i>	
1 for each infant/toddler in capacity	

Note: The above samples are not all-inclusive.

ⁱ Licensed Family Child Care Home Rule Reference: **19 CSR 30-61.095 (2) (A)**

ⁱⁱ Licensed Group Child Care Home/Center Rule Reference: **19 CSR 30-62.092 (2)**