



FIRE PREVENTION STANDARD

Title: Large Family Daycare Requirements

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Code References: California Building Code/California Fire Code/California residential Code/California Code of regulations, Title 19.

Note: *This standard is a summary of Fire Department clarifications of City and State Codes. Information contained herein applies to typical circumstances and may not address all situations.*

PURPOSE

This standard was developed with safety as the principle objective. The purpose of this document is to provide the festivities coordinator, owner, lessee and vendors with the necessary information to insure that small tents and mobile food trucks are in conformance with California State Law.

SCOPE

This document covers the fire and life safety requirements related to the safe operation of a large family daycare. Please follow the following steps if you are interested in pursuing this business in your residence:

STEP 1: Contact Community Care Licensing for application.

STEP 2: Contact the City of Roseville Planning Department to obtain an Administrative Use Permit. You must provide a proof of zone clearance from the planning department to operate a large family daycare home at a single family dwelling.

STEP3: Contact the City of Roseville Building Department to inquire about permit requirements if you plan to do residential improvement work.

Planning & Building Department
311 Vernon Street, Roseville, CA
Planning: 774-5276 / Building: 774-5332

STEP 4: The Roseville Fire Department will contact the applicant when the Fire and Life Safety 850 Form is received from Community Care Licensing. An appointment for a fire safety inspection will be scheduled at this time. No inspections will be performed by the Roseville Fire Department prior to this process unless a voluntary inspection is requested by the applicant and the applicable fees are paid to the fire department.

DEFINITIONS

Day-Care. The care of persons during any period of a 24-hour day where permanent sleeping accommodations are not provided.

Family Day-Care Home. A home that regularly provides care, protection and supervision for 14 or fewer children, in the provider's own home, for periods of less than 24 hours per day,



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while the parents or guardians are away, and is either a large family day-care home or a small family day-care home.

Large Family Day-Care Home. A provider's own home which is licensed to provide day care for periods less than 24 hours per day for nine to 14 persons, including children under the age of 10 years who reside at the home.

Small Family Day-Care Home A home which provides family day-care to eight or fewer children, including children under the age of 10 years who reside at the home, in the provider's own home, for periods of less than 24 hours per day. Small family day-care homes are exempted from state fire and life safety regulations other than those state and local standards applicable to Group R-3 occupancies (single family homes) by the California Health and Safety Code.

GENERAL

Evacuation plans shall include the following:

- Site address
- Floor plan/site map
- Escape route
- Meeting place outside the home
- Emergency number 9-1-1

Evacuation plans shall be posted near the main entrance to the home.

Fire drills shall be conducted once a month as is required of the schools in your area. You shall maintain and have readily available a fire drill log showing the fire drills for the past 12 months.

Child care shall be limited to the first floor only.

ACCESS & EGRESS

Address shall be placed on the residence as to be plainly visible from the street or road fronting the property.

Every story or basement of a large family day-care home shall be provided with two exits which are remotely located from each other. A manually operated horizontal sliding glass door may be used as one of the two required exits.

Exit doors, including manually operated horizontal sliding doors, shall be operable from the inside without the use of a key or any special knowledge or effort. This requirement can be satisfied with the use of interconnected hardware on the main exit door. Interconnected hardware simultaneously retracts both bolt and latch, allowing a single motion egress. Remove or disable all other types of locks. Screen doors shall be maintained and operable without difficulty.



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Gates from the rear yard shall open freely and be clear of any obstruction.

There shall be a landing or floor on each side of each exterior door. The width of each landing shall not be less than the door served. Every landing shall have a minimum dimension of 36 inches measured in the direction of travel. Exterior landings shall be permitted to have a slope not to exceed $\frac{1}{4}$ unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (2-percent).

FIRE PROTECTION

The residence shall be equipped with a portable fire extinguisher having a minimum 2A10BC rating. Fire extinguishers shall be located in a conspicuous location and shall not be obstructed or obscured from view. Extinguishers shall be serviced annually.

Large Family Day Care Home shall be equipped with State Fire Marshal approved and listed single station residential type smoke alarms. The number and placement of smoke alarms shall be determined by the enforcement authority but are typically located in all sleeping rooms and hallways leading to these rooms.

Large Family Day Care Home shall be equipped with State Fire Marshal approved and listed fire alarm manual pull box and horn strobe. Placement of these devices should be in the most common area of child care and will be approved at plan review. These devices are to be installed by any qualified contractor and shall only report locally.

Existing dwellings or sleeping units that have attached garages or fuel-burning appliances shall be provided with a carbon monoxide alarm. Carbon monoxide alarms shall be listed and approved by the California State Fire Marshal.

GARAGE REQUIREMENTS

When a dwelling has an attached garage, a separation wall between the dwelling and garage is required to prevent the spread of smoke and fire from the garage into the home. The separation must extend from floor to ceiling or roof deck and must be constructed in accordance with the following:

- A single layer of $\frac{1}{2}$ " gypsum wall board applied on the garage side for both new and existing construction. If there is living space above the garage the ceiling must be protected with a minimum $\frac{5}{8}$ " gypsum wall board.

Door openings must meet one of the following requirements:

- solid-wood door at least 1- $\frac{3}{8}$ inches in thickness, or
- insulated steel door at least 1- $\frac{3}{8}$ inches in thickness, or
- a labeled door having a fire-protection rating of not less than 20 minutes.



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Doors shall be self-closing and self latching. Only U.L. listed fire door self-closing devices shall be used.

Openings from a private garage directly into a room used for sleeping purposes, including areas used for day-care sleeping/napping shall not be permitted.

Aggregate quantities of all hazardous materials including gasoline for lawn maintenance shall be in approved containers and not exceed 5 gallons for garage storage and 10 gallons for outside storage.

Storage of combustible materials shall be orderly. Storage shall be separated from hot water heaters by 36 inches.

Miscellaneous:

Extension cords and flexible cords shall not be substituted for permanent wiring. Appliances shall be plugged directly into an approved power receptacle or a UL listed surge protection device. Multi-plug adaptors shall not be used.