



Home Safety Checklist

Adult Foster Care

Child Foster Care

Family Child Care

ADULT FOSTER CARE (AFC) - A Home Safety Checklist, approved by the commissioner, must be completed by the operator and the commissioner before licensure each year a fire marshal inspection is not made. Reference MN Rules, part 9555.6125, subp. 2.

CHILD FOSTER CARE (CFC) - Prior to licensure, the foster home must be inspected by a licensing agency employee using the home safety checklist from the commissioner of Human Services. Reference MN Rules, part 2960.3050, subp. 1

FAMILY CHILD CARE (FCC) - The Home Safety Checklist may be used as part of the licensing study. Reference MN Rules, parts 9502.0425-9502.0445.

Emergency Procedures

- Yes No 1. The emergency phone numbers are posted near the phone.
- Yes No 2. Emergency procedures are planned, written, and posted.
- Yes No 3. A battery powered flashlight and radio/TV is available and operable.
- Yes No 4. First-aid supplies are readily available.
- Yes No 5. An operable telephone is located within the residence.
- Yes No 6. Exit doors and windows are not obstructed and are easily opened from the inside.

Physical Environment

- Yes No 1. The wiring appears safe; no known hazards exist.
- Yes No 2. Extension cords are appropriately used and are not used in place of permanent wiring.
- Yes No 3. A fire extinguisher is maintained in the kitchen cooking area or area approved by the fire marshal.
Fire extinguisher rating: _____
- Yes No 4. All smoke detectors are properly installed, appropriately located, and maintained in proper operating condition.
- Yes No 5. All interior doors can be unlocked from the outside and the key is easily accessible in the case of an emergency.
- Yes No 6. If there is an attached garage, a proper fire separation is maintained between the house and garage. (FCC)
- Yes No 7. The water temperature is set to prevent scalding, as appropriate; in day care homes the temperature does not exceed 120° F.
- Yes No 8. Fireplaces, wood burning stoves, and other hot surfaces are protected by guards to prevent burns.
- Yes No 9. Furnaces are checked regularly and maintained in good working condition.

Home Safety & Health

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	1. Knives, tools, matches, and other potentially hazardous materials are inaccessible to children, unless used with appropriate supervision. (FDC, CFC)
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	2. Combustible items are properly stored at least 36" from any heating sources.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	3. Food is handled and properly stored to prevent contamination, spoilage, or a threat to health.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	4. Residence is clean and free from accumulations of dirt, rubbish, peeling paint, rodents and insects.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	5. Chemicals, detergents, medicines, and other toxic substances are stored separately from food products. When appropriate, these substances are inaccessible to clients.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	6. Any Schedule II controlled substances are stored in a locked area. (AFC)
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	7. There is a safe water supply in the residence; water from privately-owned wells is tested annually by a certified laboratory.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	8. Individual clean towels, wash cloths, and bedding are provided for each client.
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	9. Weapons and ammunition are stored separately in locked areas.

Remarks (Please explain all "NO" answers): _____

Obvious safety hazards or concerns?: _____

Provider Signature:	Date
Licensing Worker:	Date