

Certified Family Ratio Chart

Number/Ages of Children in Care and the Minimum Number of Caregivers



The number and ages of the children in care determines the number of caregivers that are required in a certified family (CF) program, see Table A. These ratios must be met at all times.

TABLE A

		Total Number of Children Present												
		16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4
Number of Children Present Under the Age of Two	0	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1
	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1
	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1
	4	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
	5	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
	6	3	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2		
	7	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	2			
	8	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	2				
	9	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3					
	10	4	3	3	3	3	3	3						
	11	4	4	3	3	3	3							
	12	4	4	4	4	3								
	13	4	4	4	4									
	14	4	4	4										
	15	4	4											
	16	4												

Minimum Number of Caregivers When All the Children Are in One Group

Important Note: When there is more than one group of children, each group must meet the appropriate adult to child ratio. A caregiver cannot supervise/count in ratio for more than one group of children.

Total Capacity

- The maximum number of children allowed in a CF family child care home at any one time is 16.
 - However, a provider may not exceed the maximum number of children specified on their license, which may be fewer than 16.
- All children in the home under the age of 13 shall be counted in determining the caregiver to child ratio, including other staff or caregivers' children, the child care children, and foster children. In addition, the provider's own children under the age of 10 also count in ratio when present.

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