

Inspection report for early years provision

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Introduction

This inspection was carried out by Ofsted under Sections 49 and 50 of the Childcare Act 2006 on the quality and standards of the registered early years provision. 'Early years provision' refers to provision regulated by Ofsted for children from birth to 31 August following their fifth birthday (the early years age group). The registered person must ensure that this provision complies with the statutory framework for children's learning, development and welfare, known as the *Early Years Foundation Stage*.

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The setting also makes provision for children older than the early years age group which is registered on the voluntary and/or compulsory part(s) of the Childcare Register. This report does not include an evaluation of that provision, but a comment about compliance with the requirements of the Childcare Register is included in Annex B.

There were no children on roll when this inspection took place. The findings in this report are based on evidence gathered from discussions with those who care for the children and an inspection of the premises, equipment and relevant documentation. Where there are no children on roll, no judgement is made on the quality of the early years provision as there is no reliable evidence on which to assess its impact on children. The report states if the provider continues to meet the requirements of registration.

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Description of the childminding

The childminder was registered in 2006. She lives with her husband and their four adult children in Leyton in the London borough of Waltham Forest. They live close to shops, parks, schools and public transport links. The whole of the ground floor of the childminder's home is used for childminding, except the front room. The family has a cat, four rabbits, two budgerigars and goldfish.

The childminder is registered by Ofsted on the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. She is registered to care for a maximum of six children under eight years at any one time; of these, three children may be in the early years age range. At the time of the inspection there were no children on roll.

The overall effectiveness of the early years provision

The childminder has limited knowledge and understanding of child protection issues and the procedures approved by the Local Safeguarding Children's Board. She is not meeting the legal welfare requirements, as she is not clear about her responsibilities with regard to safeguarding children's welfare. The childminder demonstrates a sound understanding of safety issues. She describes the steps she takes to reduce hazards indoors and outdoors. She is aware of the need to conduct risk assessments in the home and for outings. The childminder keeps the premises secure. She has a suitable range of toys, equipment and furniture to meet the needs of children. The childminder explains how she would reduce the risk of germs and prevent the spread of infection.

The childminder demonstrates a reasonable knowledge and understanding of equality and diversity. She explains how she would treat children with equal concern. She is aware that some children may have additional needs. She explains how she would develop working relationships with parents and other professionals to support the development of all children. This enables her to promote consistency of care for children.

The childminder has a sound awareness of the learning and development requirements. She explains how she would record her observations of children and assess their progress. She then plans activities to promote their development. The childminder describes a range of activities that she would provide to promote children's physical and creative development. She also plans activities to extend their communication, language and literacy skills.

The childminder is not yet able to demonstrate the capacity to improve outcomes for children. She has only addressed one out of the two recommendations that were set at the last inspection. In addition, the childminder's first aid certificate expired over three years ago. This is a breach of a requirement and means that she lacks sufficient knowledge of up-to-date first aid practices.

Compliance with registration requirements

In order to continue to meet the requirements of registration, the registered person must take the following action by the specified date:

- implement an effective safeguarding children policy and procedure (Safeguarding and promoting children's welfare) (also applies to both parts of the Childcare Register) 20/04/2012
- complete an appropriate paediatric first aid course by 20/04/2012 (Safeguarding and promoting children's welfare) (also applies to both parts of the Childcare Register). 20/04/2012

Annex B: the Childcare Register

The provider confirms that the requirements of the compulsory part of the Childcare Register are:

Not Met (with actions)

The provider confirms that the requirements of the voluntary part of the Childcare Register are:

Not Met (with actions)

The registered provider does not meet the requirements of the compulsory and or voluntary part/s of the Childcare Register.

To comply with the requirements of the compulsory part of the Childcare Register, the registered person must take the following action/s by the specified date:

- take action as specified in the early years section of the report (Arrangements for safeguarding children; Welfare of the children being cared for). 20/04/2012

To comply with the requirements of the voluntary part of the Childcare Register, the registered person must take the following action/s by the specified date:

- take action as specified in the early years section of the report (Arrangements for safeguarding children; Welfare of the children being cared for). 20/04/2012