



Playground Use Policy

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Rationale

All children have the right to experience quality care in an environment which provides for their health and safety. The Education and Care Services National Law Act (WA) 2012 requires that approved provider/nominated supervisor/coordinators take reasonable care to protect children from foreseeable risk of harm, injury and infection.

The service understands it has a duty of care to ensure that children are provided with a safe, secure education and care environment that is effectively supervised. Educators have a duty of care to ensure that all areas accessible to children are safe, free from hazards, and adequately supervised by sufficient numbers of educators. The type of supervision required is dependent on the type of activities that children are participating in, the specific environment and its possible hazards, and the age, needs and propensities of the individual children.

It is a requirement under the Education and Care Services National Law (WA) Act 2012 that all children being educated and cared for by the service are adequately supervised at all times that the children are in the care of that service, and that children must be protected from harm and hazards.

Policy Principles

- The use of the playground will be on a timetabled system so that no two groups are using it at the same time.
- The timetable will be supervised by the Lifestreamers Early Learning manager between the hours of 7.00am - 6.00pm.
- Lifestreamers Early Learning educators have the authority to ask other users to leave the playground when it is their allocated time of use.
- The playground timetable will be created in conjunction with other users and reviewed at the beginning of each calendar year.
- In the case of wet weather Lifestreamers Early Learning will have first priority for the use of the playground.
- Lifestreamers Early Learning can allow Mum's Club to use the playground during periods of sunshine at their own discretion, at which time Lifestreamers Early Learning children will remain indoors.
- Lifestreamers Early Learning children will be supervised by their own employed educators.
- Educators will adequately supervise children when outdoor as per the Outside Supervision Map.
- Educators will conduct an Outdoor Safety Checklist each morning.
- Mum's Club, will be responsible for the care of their own children when they have access to the playground.
- The external gates to the playground will be locked between the hours of 7.00am and 6.00pm each weekday.
- The playground will be tidied up after use ensuring all the toys are packed away neatly and correctly.

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