

Compliance action taken for childcare provision

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Summary of outcome

All early years providers must meet the legal requirements in the 'Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage', which you can find at www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-foundation-stage-framework--2 If we find that a provider is not meeting the requirements, we can take action to ensure they put matters right.

On 13 March 2025, we carried out an inspection and found the childminder was not meeting some of these requirements. The overall effectiveness of the provision was judged to be inadequate. The inspection report sets out the actions the childminder was required to

take to meet the requirements. During the inspection we identified that children may be at risk of harm. As a result, we suspended the childminder's registration on the same day. Suspension allows time for the childminder to take steps to reduce or eliminate the risk of harm to children. The childminder has a right to appeal against a suspension. The childminder may not provide childcare for which registration is required while the suspension is in place and may commit an offence if they do so.

Following the inspection, we served a welfare requirements notice. This is a legal notice that requires the childminder to take action within the timescales set out below. The childminder will also be able to give parents further information about this.

Actions to be completed by 28 March 2025:

- demonstrate how you will ensure that a daily record of all children's hours of attendance is maintained
- ensure the premises is safe, clean and fit for purpose, in support of children's good health
- ensure risk assessment procedures are effective and hazards, such as animal faeces, are

quickly identified and removed

- ensure there is a safe and suitable space in which to prepare children's food
- ensure children have a safe, clean and suitable place for their toileting needs
- ensure that effective hygiene practices are implemented to promote children's good health.

On 4 April 2025, we carried out an unannounced regulatory visit. The focus of the visit was to check whether the childminder had met the safeguarding and welfare actions raised at their previous inspection. During the visit, we identified that children may continue to be at risk of harm.

We found that the provider has a secure understanding of how to maintain an accurate daily record of children's attendance. However, we were not satisfied that all areas of the home remain safe, clean and fit for purpose. As such there continued to be a risk to children's health. The provider could not consistently demonstrate a secure understanding of her risk assessment responsibilities, with cleaning products accessible to children in the bathroom. Arrangements for effective hygiene practices were not in place due to a lack of handwash available for use in the bathroom.

Following the visit, the provider requested to resign their registration in full on 8 April 2025, which was accepted. The provider is no-longer registered with Ofsted.

Publication of compliance action

We aim to ensure that the welfare of children and young people is protected in the services we regulate. The Childcare Act 2006 and accompanying regulations set out our responsibilities to regulate childminders and childcare providers. This includes the enforcement powers we have in relation to those registered providers who do not comply with the requirements for registration.

We publish details of any actions we take, or the childminder or childcare provider takes to bring about compliance with requirements on our website for a period of five years.

For further information please read the Early years compliance handbook which can be found here at www.gov.uk/government/publications/early-years-provider-non-compliance-action-by-ofsted.