



## PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

### FAMILY HOME DAYCARE FOR 1 TO 6 CHILDREN

As of July 1, 2025, the State of Idaho requires a signed Local Compliance form or letter on an official letterhead stating specific rules and regulations for child daycare be provided by local jurisdictions as part of licensing through the Department of Health and Welfare.

Please read the code requirements for Family Home Child Daycare below and provide the required information on the following page, and sign. You may then present this document as approval for Family Home Child Daycare for 1-6 children from the City of Boise to the licensing authority.

***Please note: This form is for Family Home Child Daycare 1-6 children only.***

***Family Home Child Daycare for 7-12 children must be approved through an application for a [Zoning Compliance Review](#) for a Home Occupation.***

***[Adult or Child Daycare Facilities](#) outside of the home will require either a Zoning Certificate or a Conditional Use Permit depending on the zone. Please check the [Table of Allowed Uses](#) for that information.***

Boise City Code: Home Occupation: Child Daycare ([11-03-03 2. O.](#))

A Home Occupation, Child or Adult Daycare for one to six adults or children is allowed without submittal of an application or approval of a Zoning Compliance Review if it complies with all of the standards below:

1. The use shall require a Home Occupation, Child or Adult Daycare license as required by local or state law.
2. The use shall be incidental to the principal use of the dwelling as a residence.
3. If located on a collector or arterial street, the use shall provide for an on-site pick-up area designed to ease the flow of traffic and to prevent vehicles from backing onto the roadway (backing in an alley is permissible).
4. The use is permitted one 12 sq. ft. attached non-illuminated sign.
5. The use shall provide one off-street space per employee.
6. If the use includes a Home Occupation, Child Daycare, the use shall:
  - a. Provide a minimum outdoor play area of 100 square feet per child on site. This area requirement may be waived or modified if appropriate open space with connecting public sidewalks or paths is located near the facility and that open space can be used by the children as a play area; or the program of the facility is such that the size of a group of children using the play area at any one time conforms to the 100 square feet per child criteria.
  - b. Provide a minimum of 35 square feet of indoor gross floor area per child.
  - c. Maintain a valid Daycare license, as required by local or state law, in effect at all times.
  - d. Comply with the regulations where applicable by law or jurisdiction of the Fire Department and the health inspector.

7. *Intentionally Omitted.*
8. Discretionary Conditions for Approval: The Planning Director may condition the approval of a Home Occupation Child Daycare on the following conditions to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the children:
  - a. Additional fencing or landscape screening of the facility to protect the children from adverse activities such as traffic on arterial or collector streets or intersections, or to screen adjacent properties;
  - b. Additional setback from any property line to play areas to protect children from busy street, irrigation ditches, animal pastures, and other similar conflicts; or
  - c. Any other conditions deemed necessary by the Planning Director to protect the health, safe, and welfare of the children.

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**\*\* By signing this document, I affirm that I have read, understand, and will comply with all applicable code requirements. \*\***

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Printed Name of Child Daycare Facility Owner/Operator

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Child Daycare Facility Name

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Child Daycare Facility Address

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Child Daycare Facility Phone Number

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Signature of Child Daycare Facility Owner/Operator

<b>** The above signature of affirmation constitutes your approval from the City of Boise. **</b>
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Please call 208-608-7100 email to [zoninginfo@cityofboise.org](mailto:zoninginfo@cityofboise.org) or if you have any questions.