

Requirements for Large Family Day Care Facility

Windsor Fire Protection District requires the following conditions be met in order to obtain fire department approval of a large family day care facility/operation:

- State Fire Marshal listed single station residential type smoke detectors shall be installed within the residence as required by the code at the time the residence was constructed. Detectors shall be maintained. Homes constructed prior to the building code requirement for installation of smoke detectors shall install battery operated units in locations specified in 2001 UBC 310.15.2.
- A 2A-10BC-rated portable fire extinguisher shall be provided in an accessible location. The extinguisher shall be serviced annually by a licensed company. 2001 UBC 310.15.3.
- A manual pull station with a bell device (may be supplied by an approved battery system) shall be attached to the structure. A system constructed on a hanging board is acceptable, at an accessible location where it is audible throughout the structure. The alarm shall be maintained. 2001 UBC 310.15.4.
- Two remotely located exits shall be provided. One exit may be a horizontal sliding door. No exits may pass through the kitchen. The exit must provide access to a public way. 2001 UBC 1007.3.
- Exit doors shall be no less than 32 inches in width, and 6 feet 8 inches in height. 2001 UBC Chapter 10.
- Basements shall have one of the two required exits going directly to the outside without passing through the first floor. 2001 UBC Chapter 10.
- Rooms used for day care purposes shall not be located above the first floor. Second stories shall not be used by the day care occupants. In lieu of this requirement, the operator may install a residential sprinkler system and provide one of the two required exits from the second floor directly to the exterior of the building. 2001 UBC Chapter 10.
- Exit doors, including a horizontal sliding door or yard gate, shall be operable from the inside without the use of a key or any special knowledge or effort. Manually operated or key operated deadbolts, chains, etc. are not allowed. A deadbolt lock may be utilized if it is inter-tied to the inside exit door lever. 2001 UBC Chapter 10.
- Exit pathways shall be clear and accessible to the public right-of-way. Exits through the back yard shall be accessible. If a rear yard has a 50-foot separation from the house to an area of safe refuge and the area has room to

occupy three (3) square feet per occupant, the exit may end at this location rather than exiting to the public right-of-way. 2001 UBC Chapter 10.

- Address numbers shall be provided on the residence. 2001 UBC 502.
- Garages shall be separated from living areas by materials equivalent to one-half hour fire restrictive construction on the garage side and a self-closing, tight-fitting door 1-3/8" in thickness. 2001 UBC 302.4.
- Unenclosed gas-fired water heaters or furnaces shall be protected in such a way as to prevent children from making contact with those appliances. 2001 UBC 303.8.
- An emergency evacuation plan shall be posted in an accessible area. The plan shall include the responsible parties, emergency phone numbers, and an evacuation plan. T-19 3.09. Fire Drills shall be coordinated with the details of the Emergency Evacuation Plan.
- Written records of monthly fire drills shall be provided. 2001 UFC 1303. The fire drill shall be held in accordance with the Emergency Evacuation Plan.