

Regulation Types for Child Care Programs

This is a summary of child care programs regulated by the state of Utah. Further information and details can be found on the website, www.health.utah.gov/licensing.

Home Based Care

Licensed Family Child Care (R430-90): Provides care for at least one unrelated child on a regular schedule. Provider must be at least 18 years of age. Care is provided in the home of the provider. The provider receives direct or indirect compensation. Based on the square footage of the home, they may care for eight children or up to 16 children with a second caregiver. They must have a compliant outdoor play area.

Residential Certificate Child Care (R430-50): Provides care for at least one unrelated child on a regular schedule. Provider must be at least 18 years of age. Care is provided in the home of the provider. The provider receives direct or indirect compensation. The caregiver may not have more than eight children in care. They may only care for two children under the age of 2, including their own children.

Center Based Care

Child Care Center (R430-100): Provides care in the absence of the child's parent. There must be a director who is at least 21 years of age and meets the educational requirements. Care is provided in a place other than the provider's home or the child's home. Care is provided on a regular schedule. The provider receives direct or indirect compensation. The license capacity is based on the square footage of the building. They must have a safely accessible fenced outdoor play area.

Hourly Child Care Center (R430-60): Provides care in the absence of the child's parent. Care is provided in a place other than the provider's home or the child's home. Care is open to children on an ongoing basis for four or more weeks in a year. Care provided is not on a regular schedule. The provider receives direct or indirect compensation. The license capacity is based on the square footage of the building.

Out of School Time Program (R430-70): Provides care in the absence of the child's parent. Care is provided in a place other than the provider's home or the child's home. All of the children who attend the program are at least five years of age. The program is open to children on an ongoing basis, on three or more days a week and for 30 or more days in a calendar year. The provider receives direct or indirect compensation. The license capacity is based on the square footage of the facility.

Exemptions

Exempt From Child Care Licensing (R430-8): A program is not required to have a license or certificate if any of the following apply: the parent is physically present where the care is provided, the program is owned or operated by the federal government, care is only provided to related children, care is offered for less than four hours a day, care is provided for fewer than five children, care is provided by or at a public school, or as part of a course of study at a public school. Unless caring for related children only, an exempt program may voluntarily be regulated. A local government agency or funding source may require the program to be regulated.