
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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CHILDREN

**The Child Minding and Day Care (Applications for
Registration) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996**

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Coming into operation 4th November 1996

The Department of Health and Social Services, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 123(2) of the Children (Northern Ireland) Order 1995(1) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Child Minding and Day Care (Applications for Registration) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996 and shall come into operation on 4th November 1996.

(2) In these Regulations—

“the Order” means the Children (Northern Ireland) Order 1995;

“full day care” means day care provided for children under the age of 12 for a continuous period of 4 hours or more in any day in premises other than domestic premises;

“person in charge” means in relation to day care where the applicant is not an individual, the person appointed as the person in charge of providing the actual day care by the applicant;

“sessional day care” means day care provided for children under the age of 12 for less than a continuous period of 4 hours in any day in premises other than domestic premises.

Applications for registration

2.—(1) The statement which, in accordance with Article 123(2)(a) of the Order (statement with respect to the applicant), is to be contained in an application for registration under Article 118 of the Order, shall include the information specified in Schedule 1.

(2) The statement which, in accordance with Article 123(2)(b) of the Order (statement with respect to certain other persons), is to be contained in an application for registration under Article 118 of the Order, shall include the information specified in Schedule 2.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

Revocation

3. The Child-Minding (Registration Requirements) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1974(2), insofar as they continue to have effect, are hereby revoked.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services on 3rd October 1996.

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Assistant Secretary

SCHEDULE 1

Regulation 2(1)

Information to be provided about the applicant

1. The full name of the applicant, including (if different) name at birth and any other former names, or where day care is to be provided by a partnership, committee or incorporated or unincorporated body, the full names of the partners, members of the Committee, Board of Directors, or the Board, identifying the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer.
2. The address at which the children are to be looked after, and the applicant's address if different.
3. Whether the premises available to the applicant at which the children are to be looked after are domestic premises.
4. In the case of day care, a description of the facilities available to the applicant for day care, including the number of rooms, their functions, the numbers of lavatories and washbasins, any separate facilities for adult workers and access to the premises for cars.
5. Whether the applicant wishes to register as a child minder, or as a provider of day care, and if the latter, whether he will provide full day care or sessional day care.
6. In the case of day care, the proposed hours for which the applicant wishes to provide day care.
7. Relevant experience of the applicant, including any previous work with children or with elderly or disabled people, whether paid or not.
8. The number and ages of any children of the applicant or any children for whom he is to be responsible.
9. Any relevant qualifications (with dates) of the applicant, giving details of the organisation running the course, the subjects studied, the length of the course and the name of the qualification.
10. The names of two referees for the applicant who may be contacted.
11. The name and address of the applicant's general medical practitioner and whether he may be approached for details concerning the state of health of the applicant, together with details of anything for which he is currently being treated by his general medical practitioner or by a hospital, and details of any hospital admissions during the last 2 years and of any serious illnesses in the last 5 years.
12. Details of any criminal convictions of the applicant, including—
 - (a) the date of offence;
 - (b) the nature of offence;
 - (c) the place where it occurred;
 - (d) the name of the court which gave the conviction; and
 - (e) the penalty imposed.

SCHEDULE 2

Regulation 2(2)

Information to be provided about any person in charge or any person assisting or likely to assist, or living or likely to live in the premises

1. In the case of child minders, the name and date of birth of anyone living (or likely to be living) in the premises in which they intend to look after children, including members of the family and lodgers, and the name and address of any other person assisting (or likely to be assisting) in looking after the children.

2. In the case of day care applicants, the name and date of birth of anyone living (or likely to be living) on the premises to be used for day care, details of how many staff will be employed in looking after the children and in what capacity, details of any person in charge, any other person assisting (or likely to be assisting) in looking after children on the premises in question, with their name and address.

3. The full name of the person in charge and his address if different from any address referred to in paragraph 2 of Schedule 1.

4. Relevant experience of any person in charge, including any previous work with children or with elderly or disabled people, whether paid or not.

5. The number and ages of any children of the person in charge or any children for whom he is to be responsible.

6. Any relevant qualifications (with dates) of the person in charge, giving details of the organisation running the course, the subjects studied, the length of the course and the name of the qualification.

7. The name of two referees for the person in charge who may be contacted.

8. The name and address of the general medical practitioner of the person in charge or of any assistant of the person in charge and whether that practitioner may be approached for details concerning the state of health of the person in charge or assistant, together with details of anything for which either person is currently being treated by his general medical practitioner or by a hospital, and details of any hospital admissions during the last 2 years and any serious illnesses in the last 5 years.

9. Details of any criminal convictions of any of the persons mentioned in paragraph 1, 2 or 3 including—

- (a) the date of offence;
- (b) the nature of offence;
- (c) the place where it occurred;
- (d) the name of the court which gave the conviction; and
- (e) the penalty imposed.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations require that child minders and providers of day care provide the information specified in Schedules 1 and 2 when applying for registration under the Children (Northern Ireland) Order 1995 (“the Order”).

The information required by Schedule 1 includes details about the applicant including his qualifications and experience and the premises in which the children will be looked after. Schedule 2 requires details of the person in charge or any other person living in (or likely to be living in) those premises, and any person in charge or assisting (or likely to be assisting) in looking after the children.

The Regulations revoke the Child-Minding (Registration Requirements) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1974.

Article 123(2) of the Order is the enabling provision under which these Regulations are made. It was brought into operation on 18th July 1996 by virtue of Article 2(1) of, and Schedule 1 to, the Children (1995 Order) (Commencement No. 3) Order (Northern Ireland) 1996 ([S.R. 1996 No. 297 \(C. 17\)](#)).