



Childcare Act 2006

2006 CHAPTER 21

PART 3

REGULATION OF PROVISION OF CHILDCARE IN ENGLAND

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REGULATION OF LATER YEARS PROVISION FOR CHILDREN UNDER 8

Process of registration

55 Applications for registration: other later years providers

(1) A person who proposes to provide ^{F1}... later years provision in respect of which he is required by section 53(1) to be registered may make an application to the Chief Inspector for registration as a later years provider ^{F1}....

[^{F2}(1A) A person who proposes to provide ^{F3}... later years provision in respect of which the person is required by section 53(1A) to be registered may make an application—

- (a) to the Chief Inspector for registration as a later years provider ^{F4}..., or
- (b) to a later years childminder agency for registration with that agency as a later years provider ^{F4}....]

(2) An application under subsection (1) [^{F5}or (1A)] must—

- (a) give any prescribed information about prescribed matters,
- (b) give any other information which the Chief Inspector [^{F6}or (as the case may be) the later years childminder agency] reasonably requires the applicant to give, and
- (c) [^{F7}if it is an application to the Chief Inspector,] be accompanied by any prescribed fee.

(3) The Chief Inspector must grant an application under subsection (1) [^{F8}or (1A)(a)] if—

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- (a) the applicant is not disqualified from registration by regulations under section 75, and
 - (b) it appears to the Chief Inspector that any requirements prescribed for the purposes of this subsection (“the prescribed requirements for registration”) are satisfied and are likely to continue to be satisfied.
- (4) The Chief Inspector must refuse any application under subsection (1) [^{F9}or (1A)(a)] which subsection (3) does not require him to grant.
- [^{F10}(4A) A later years childminder agency may grant an application under subsection (1A)(b) only if—
- (a) the applicant is not disqualified from registration by regulations under section 75,
 - (b) it appears to the agency that the prescribed requirements for registration are satisfied and are likely to continue to be satisfied, and
 - (c) it appears to the agency that any other reasonable requirements it has imposed are satisfied and are likely to continue to be satisfied.]
- (5) The prescribed requirements for registration may include requirements relating to—
- (a) the applicant;
 - [^{F11}(aa) prohibiting the applicant from being registered in Part A of the general childcare register as a later years provider other than a childminder if the applicant is registered with a childminder agency;
 - (ab) prohibiting the applicant from being registered with a later years childminder agency as a later years provider other than a childminder if the applicant is registered—
 - (i) with another childminder agency;
 - (ii) in the early years register or the general childcare register;]
 - (b) the premises on which the later years provision is to be provided;
 - (c) the arrangements for later years provision on those premises;
 - (d) any person who may be caring for children on those premises;
 - (e) any other person who may be on those premises.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 55(1) omitted (1.1.2016) by virtue of [Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Act 2015 \(c. 26\)](#), s. 164(1), [Sch. 2 para. 7\(a\)](#); S.I. 2015/1329, reg. 6(b)
- F2** S. 55(1A) inserted (1.4.2014 for specified purposes, 1.9.2014 in so far as not already in force) by [Children and Families Act 2014 \(c. 6\)](#), s. 139(6), [Sch. 4 para. 18\(2\)](#); S.I. 2014/889, arts. 3(m), 7(e)
- F3** Words in s. 55(1A) omitted (1.1.2016) by virtue of [Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Act 2015 \(c. 26\)](#), s. 164(1), [Sch. 2 para. 7\(b\)](#); S.I. 2015/1329, reg. 6(b)
- F4** Words in s. 55(1A)(a)(b) omitted (1.1.2016) by virtue of [Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Act 2015 \(c. 26\)](#), s. 164(1), [Sch. 2 para. 7\(c\)](#); S.I. 2015/1329, reg. 6(b)
- F5** Words in s. 55(2) inserted (1.4.2014 for specified purposes, 1.9.2014 in so far as not already in force) by [Children and Families Act 2014 \(c. 6\)](#), s. 139(6), [Sch. 4 para. 18\(3\)\(a\)](#); S.I. 2014/889, arts. 3(m), 7(e)
- F6** Words in s. 55(2)(b) inserted (1.4.2014 for specified purposes, 1.9.2014 in so far as not already in force) by [Children and Families Act 2014 \(c. 6\)](#), s. 139(6), [Sch. 4 para. 18\(3\)\(b\)](#); S.I. 2014/889, arts. 3(m), 7(e)

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- F7** Words in s. 55(2)(c) inserted (1.4.2014 for specified purposes, 1.9.2014 in so far as not already in force) by Children and Families Act 2014 (c. 6), s. 139(6), **Sch. 4 para. 18(3)(c)**; S.I. 2014/889, arts. 3(m), 7(e)
- F8** Words in s. 55(3) inserted (1.4.2014 for specified purposes, 1.9.2014 in so far as not already in force) by Children and Families Act 2014 (c. 6), s. 139(6), **Sch. 4 para. 18(4)**; S.I. 2014/889, arts. 3(m), 7(e)
- F9** Words in s. 55(4) inserted (1.4.2014 for specified purposes, 1.9.2014 in so far as not already in force) by Children and Families Act 2014 (c. 6), s. 139(6), **Sch. 4 para. 18(4)**; S.I. 2014/889, arts. 3(m), 7(e)
- F10** S. 55(4A) inserted (1.4.2014 for specified purposes, 1.9.2014 in so far as not already in force) by Children and Families Act 2014 (c. 6), s. 139(6), **Sch. 4 para. 18(5)**; S.I. 2014/889, arts. 3(m), 7(e)
- F11** S. 55(5)(aa)(ab) inserted (1.4.2014 for specified purposes, 1.9.2014 in so far as not already in force) by Children and Families Act 2014 (c. 6), s. 139(6), **Sch. 4 para. 18(6)**; S.I. 2014/889, arts. 3(m), 7(e)

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 55 in force at 1.10.2007 for specified purposes by S.I. 2007/2717, **art. 2(c)**
- I2** S. 55 in force at 1.9.2008 in so far as not already in force by S.I. 2008/2261, **art. 2** (with Schs. 1, 2)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- s. 55(3) words substituted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 23 para. 12\(3\)](#)
- s. 55(4) words substituted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 23 para. 12\(3\)](#)
- s. 55(4A) words inserted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 23 para. 12\(4\)](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 32(6) inserted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 23 para. 2](#)
- s. 36(1)(a)(b) substituted for words by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 23 para. 6\(2\)](#)
- s. 36(5)(ac)(ad) inserted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 23 para. 6\(5\)](#)
- s. 37(2A) inserted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 23 para. 7\(4\)](#)
- s. 37A(1A) inserted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 23 para. 8\(3\)](#)
- s. 45A(4C) inserted by [2016 c. 5 s. 3\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 47ZA(3)(a) substituted by [2016 c. 5 s. 3\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 54(1)(a) words substituted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 23 para. 11\(3\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 54(1)(b) words inserted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 23 para. 11\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 55(1)(a)(b) substituted for words by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 23 para. 12\(2\)](#)
- s. 55(5)(ac)(ad) inserted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 23 para. 12\(5\)](#)
- s. 56(2A) inserted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 23 para. 13\(4\)](#)
- s. 56A(1A) inserted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 23 para. 14\(3\)](#)
- s. 57(1)(a)(i)(ii) substituted for words by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 23 para. 15\(b\)](#)
- s. 57A(2)(a)(i)(ii) substituted for words by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 23 para. 16\(3\)](#)
- s. 63(A1)(1) substituted for s. 63(1) by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 23 para. 18](#)
- s. 64(2A) inserted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 23 para. 19\(4\)](#)
- s. 68(3)(a)(b) substituted for words by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 23 para. 22\(2\)](#)
- s. 68(4)(a)(b) substituted for words by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 23 para. 22\(3\)](#)
- s. 68(5)(a)(b) substituted for words by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 23 para. 22\(4\)](#)
- s. 98(1B) inserted by [2023 c. 55 Sch. 23 para. 24\(3\)](#)
- s. 113A(1) repealed by [2012 c. 5 Sch. 14 Pt. 1](#)
- s. 113A(3) words repealed by [2012 c. 5 Sch. 14 Pt. 1](#)