

Fire Safety and Evacuation Plan for Little Dino Playgroup

Objective:

To ensure the safety of all children, staff, and visitors in the event of a fire by establishing clear procedures and responsibilities.

1.. Preparation and Prevention

- Fire Risk Assessment: Conduct regular assessments to identify potential fire hazards.
- Fire Equipment: Ensure fire extinguishers, smoke alarms, and fire blankets are installed, maintained, and easily accessible.
- Staff Training: Train all staff members in fire safety procedures, including use of fire extinguishers and evacuation protocols.
- Emergency Contacts: Maintain up-to-date contact information for emergency services and parents/guardians.

2. Fire Escape Routes and Exits

- Designated Exits: Clearly mark all fire exits and ensure they are unobstructed at all times.

- Escape Routes: Map out primary and secondary escape routes from all areas of the playgroup.
- Assembly Point: Designate a safe outdoor assembly point away from the building.

3. Evacuation Procedures

a. Activation of Alarm:

- Upon discovering a fire or hearing the fire alarm, staff must immediately alert everyone and initiate evacuation.

b. Evacuation Steps:

- Children:
- Calmly but quickly gather children according to their group.
- Hold each child's hand or ensure they are safely guided.
- Staff:
- Lead children to the nearest safe exit.
- Close doors behind to contain fire if safe to do so.
- Visitors:
- Assist visitors in evacuating and direct them to the assembly point.

c. At the Assembly Point:

- Conduct a roll call to ensure all children and staff are accounted for.
- Do not re-enter the building until authorities declare it safe.

4. Roles and Responsibilities

- Designated Fire Marshal:
- Responsible for initiating the alarm and overseeing evacuation.
- Staff Members:
- Assist children, ensure all areas are evacuated, and check for missing persons.
- Manager/Coordinator:
- Communicate with emergency services and parents.
- Children:
- Follow staff instructions calmly.

5. Post-Evacuation

- Wait at the designated assembly point.
- Provide information to emergency services.
- Contact parents/guardians to inform them of the situation.
- Do not re-enter the premises until authorized by fire officials.

6. Training and Drills

- Conduct regular fire drills (at least twice a year).
- Review and update the evacuation plan annually or when significant changes occur.
- Keep records of drills and training sessions.

7. Additional Safety Measures

- Keep fire exits and escape routes clear at all times.

- Store flammable materials safely and away from ignition sources.
- Maintain clear signage indicating fire exits and procedures.
Remember: Safety is everyone's responsibility. Stay calm, act swiftly, and follow the plan to ensure everyone's safety.
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