

First Aid

A reminder from the EYFS Statutory Framework (for Group and School Based Providers 3.30-3.33, plus 3.52 - 3.55 for information on medicines; For Childminders 3.34- 3.36 and 3.61- 3.62)

- ✓ There is a first aid box accessible at all times with appropriate content for use with children
- ✓ Keep a written record of accidents or injuries and first aid treatments given
- ✓ Inform parents and/or carers of any accident or injury sustained by the child on the same day as, or as soon as reasonably practicable after, and of any first aid treatment given
- ✓ At least one person who has a current paediatric first aid (PFA) certificate must be on the premises and available at all times when children are present, and must accompany children on outings
- ✓ Display (or make available to parents) staff PFA certificates or a list of staff who have a current PFA certificate. The certificate must be for a full course consistent with the criteria set out in Annex A (of the Statutory Framework for the EYFS)
- ✓ Providers should take into account the number of children, staff and layout of premises to ensure that a paediatric first aider is able to respond to emergencies quickly.
- ✓ PFA training must be renewed every three years and be relevant for workers caring for young children and where relevant, babies
- ✓ All staff who obtained a level 2 and/or level 3 qualification since 30 June 2016, must obtain a PFA qualification within three months of starting work in order to be included in the required staff: child ratios at level 2 or level 3 in an early years setting. To continue to be included in the ratio requirement the certificate must be renewed every 3 years.
- ✓ Providers should consider whether paediatric first aiders need to undertake annual refresher training, during any three-year certification period to help maintain basic skills and keep up to date with any changes to PFA procedures.
- ✓ Providers must ensure that staff have sufficient understanding and use of English to ensure the well-being of children in their care. For example, settings must be in a position to keep records in English, to liaise with other agencies in English, to summon emergency help, and to understand instructions such as those for the safety of medicines
- ✓ Registered providers must notify Ofsted or the childminder agency with which they are registered of any serious accident, illness or injury to, or death of, any child while in their care, and of the action taken. Notification must be made as soon as is reasonably practicable, but in any event within 14 days of the incident occurring.

Are you complying with all the requirements?

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