



Sun Protection Policy Child Care

PURPOSE: To ensure the ongoing health and well being of children in Child Care and in order to assist in the protection of children from harmful rays of the sun.

GUIDELINES:

- Children will be encouraged to wear hats outdoors on sunny days.
- A light, long-sleeved shirt is highly recommended for added protection; this could be stored in the child's cubby.
- In the event of Heat Alerts or Smog Advisories issued by the Health Unit or Environment Canada the Supervisor or Designate will monitor conditions and adjust, limit or cancel outdoor time.

SUNSCREEN:

- Parents are responsible for supplying sunscreen for their child.
- Sunscreen will be applied to the children's skin prior to outdoor play during times when the UV levels are the highest. (i.e. summer month's)
- Parents who choose not to provide sunscreen must sign an exemption form.
- Ministry of Environment recommends a minimum of 15 SPF. We also recommend an unscented sunscreen for environmental sensitivities.
- "Spray" sunscreen will not be accepted at our Child Care locations
- Sunscreen will be labelled with child's name and stored safely out of the reach of children.
- A consent form signed by the parent will be required prior to application by the staff.
- We recommend that parents apply sunscreen before bringing their child to the centre as it takes time to have the best effect.

PLEASE NOTE: Without signed consent, child care staff will be unable to apply sunscreen to any child. A change of sunscreen will require a new signed consent form.

CONSENT FOR THE APPLICATION OF SUNSCREEN

Centre Name: _____ **CHILD'S NAME:** _____

Type of sunscreen: _____ **EXP DATE:** _____

DIN: _____

Parent's Signature: _____ **DATE:** _____