

Child Care Home Providers

SHAPE PLACES ZONING ORDINANCE REQUIREMENTS

- Categories of Child Care Home Providers:
- Home Day Care (homes with fewer than 6 children)
 - Family Day Care (homes with 7-12 children)

ZONING ORDINANCE REQUIREMENTS

Home Day Cares (homes with fewer than 6 children) do not need to meet zoning ordinance requirements but must still register with the Sioux Falls Health Department.

Family Day Cares (homes with 7-12 children) should have a safe, healthy environment for the children as their primary importance. They must be located in areas where an adequate, safe, and fenced playground with sufficient green areas can be provided. The family day care must also provide pickup and drop-off areas that are convenient for their clients.

You, as a provider, are required to submit documentation that you occupy the home as a primary residence; the Family Day Care must be a secondary use. A site plan of the property showing the outdoor play areas, and drop-off and pickup areas must also be submitted.

PETITION OF SUPPORT FROM NEIGHBORS

Family Day Cares require a Petition of Support signed by 75 percent of registered property owners within 250 feet of the proposed Family Day Care. If the signatures of 75 percent of the registered property owners can't be obtained, a Conditional Use permit is required (one public hearing at Planning Commission).

If granted, the Conditional Use permit is issued for the property and stays with the property. The permit does not need to be completed annually. Documentation submitted to the City goes into your property file, which is available upon request by other citizens.

Forms will be mailed to you by calling 605-367-8254.

WE'RE HERE TO HELP

Help is available by contacting the Zoning Office at 605-367-8254. Staff can guide you through the process and answer any questions you may have.

REGISTRATION AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT REQUIREMENTS

The conditions listed here only meet Zoning Ordinance requirements. The Sioux Falls Health Department has additional requirements before you, as a provider, can operate a day care from your home. These include, but are not limited to, the requirement that **Family Day Cares and Home Day Cares must be registered with the Sioux Falls Health Department.** Contact them at 605-367-8760 for more information.