

SUN PROTECTION POLICY







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NATIONAL QUALITY STANDARD (NQS)

QUALITY AREA 2: CHILDREN'S HEALTH AND SAFETY		
2.1	Health	Each child's health and physical activity is supported and promoted.
2.1.1	Wellbeing and	Each child's wellbeing and comfort is provided for, including appropriate opportunities to meet each
	comfort	child's needs for sleep, rest and relaxation.
2.1.3	Healthy lifestyle	Healthy eating and physical activity are promoted and appropriate for each child.
2.2	Safety	Each child is protected.
2.2.1	Supervision	At all times, reasonable precautions and adequate supervision ensure children are protected from harm and hazard.

EDUCATION AND CARE SERVICES NATIONAL REGULATIONS		
113	Outdoor space natural environment	
114	Outdoor space shade	
168	Education and care service must have policies and procedures	

Purpose

Exposure to ultraviolet (UV) radiation in childhood is a major risk factor for the development of skin cancer later in life. Childcare services can contribute to reducing the lifetime risk of skin cancer for children by teaching good sun protection habits from an early age and implementing best-practice sun protection measures.

Outdoor Activities

All sun protection measures will be considered when planning excursions and incursions. Outdoor activaties will consider the Sun and shade options

Hats

Children are required to wear sun safe hats that protect their face, neck and ears

Clothing

When outdoors, staff and children will wear sun safe clothing that covers as much of the skin (especially the shoulders, back and stomach) as possible.

This includes wearing:

- Loose fitting shirts and dresses with sleeves and collars or covered neckline.
- Longer style skirts, shorts and trousers.

Sunscreen

- Sunscreen is stored in a cool, dry place and the use-by-date monitored.
- Where children have allergies or sensitivity to the sunscreen, parents are asked to provide an alternative sunscreen