

EDUCATORS - HOME SAFETY

POLICY

All Educators' homes must undergo a Home Safety Assessment before being registered with the Mt Alexander Family Day Care Scheme.

The aims of the Home Safety Assessment are:

- To establish a level of safety for the house and property of an Educator which will provide a safe environment for children in their care.
- To enable potential hazards to be identified so that they can be controlled to reduce the risk of injury to children.

PROCEDURE

1. A Home Safety Assessment is carried out after a prospective Educator has been notified of a successful interview.
2. Home Safety Assessments are carried out annually using the safety checklist developed by FDCV and Kidsafe (Child Accident prevention Foundation of Australia).
3. Educator must be notified of any hazards requiring further attention.
4. When recommended actions have been taken to rectify hazards, the prospective Educator should request a further Home Safety Assessment to ensure standards are now met.
5. Once the house and property of the prospective Educator has been deemed to have reached the required safety level, the selection process may continue.
6. A breach of any particular Safety Standard referred to in the Home Safety Assessment may lead to de-registration of the Family Day Care home.

Source: Mt Alexander FDC - Handbook
Educator Agreement
FDCV Home Safety check – based on Kidsafe recommendations
National Standards Guide

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