## HEALTH & SAFETY - TELEPHONE

## <u>POLICY</u>

The provision of a telephone is necessary for the calling of emergency services and notification of parents' in the case of illness or accidents.

## PROCEDURE

- 1. The Educator shall have an operating telephone on the premises. In an area where telephone services are not available, an effective emergency communication plan must be in place.
- 2. A list of **emergency numbers** (Appendix 2) must be displayed adjacent to each telephone, including:
  - Ambulance 000 no other number to be used
  - Police 000 no other number to be used
  - Fire Brigade 000 no other number to be used
  - Hospital
  - Doctor
  - Poisons Information
  - Parent contact numbers
  - FDC office and after hours
- 3. A cordless telephone is recommended for carrying while supervising outdoor play. Where mobile phones are the principle source of communication, they must be kept charged and turned on.

Source: Mt Alexander FDC handbook Kidsafe Guidelines

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