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CHILDMINDING IRELAND

Supporting Ireland's Childminders; Minding Ireland's Children

Criteria for Membership:

1. Completed and signed Application Form
2. Valid Childminding Insurance
3. Garda Vetting for Childminding or in the process of attaining same

Application Form

Contact Details

*First Name: _____

*Last Name: _____

*Address: _____

*City/Town _____

*County _____

Eircode _____ (not mandatory)

* Email: _____

Phone : _____ *Mobile: _____

*Date of Birth: _____ Gender: Female/Male

How did you hear about Childminding Ireland - :

Please circle one or more of the following

- Were a previous member
 - Internet
 - Local Childcare Committee
 - Childminding Ireland Event
 - Friend
 - Facebook
 - Member
 - Insurance Company
 - College
 - Citizens Information
 - Word of Mouth
 - Media/Newspaper
 - Other, please specify _____
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Childminding Details

How many Children do you mind in total **at any one time** (exclude your own) _____

Of these, indicate how many are:

Preschool (Birth to starting Primary School) _____

Afterschool (Children going to Primary School) _____

NB: Childcare Regulations

If you provide or intend to provide care for four or more pre-school children at the same time, who are not from one family or related to you as described in the Regulations you must register with Tusla 3 months prior to commencement in order to comply with the Child Care Act 1991 (Early Years Services) Regulations 2016.

Sharing your Details

Please tick

To enable effective marketing of your service to parents seeking quality local Childminding places and to facilitate local Childminder Support, please indicate your agreement to the following:

I agree that my contact details will be provided to parents seeking a Childminder in my area **Yes / No**

I agree to advertise my Childminding service on www.childminding.ie **Yes / No**

I have notified my local Childcare Committee **Yes / No**

Garda Vetting

*I am Garda Vetted for Childminding **Yes / No**

*I have applied for Garda Vetting **Yes / No**

To apply for Garda Vetting for Childminding please contact Barnardos on 021 45 47 060 or email vetting@barnardos.ie

Training & Professional Development

Child Protection - Children First **Yes / No**

First Aid Paediatric Yes / No Date of Expiry _____

Occupational Yes / No Date of Expiry _____

QAP(Quality Awareness Programme) **Yes / No**

Fetac Level 5 Childcare Full Award **Yes / No**

Fetac Level 6 Childcare Full Award **Yes / No**

Early Childhood Care and Education Degree **Yes / No**

Other relevant Degree _____

Other relevant training _____

Membership of other Professional Bodies

Are you currently or have you previously been a member of any professional regulatory body in this or any other jurisdiction?

Yes / No

If so, which Professional body _____

Agree to Childminding Ireland Terms and Conditions

The home is a safe place for children, with adequate toys, books and play materials.

Yes / No

The garden/outdoor play area is safe and appropriate for the age/stage of the children.

Yes / No

All areas of the home, available to the children, are smoke free.

Yes / No

Household pets are never allowed with the children without parental consent.

Yes / No

Membership shall be terminated by any conviction relating to the operation of a childminding service, or to the welfare and well-being of children or vulnerable persons. Membership may be suspended in the event of notification of a concern relating to child safety/protection pending review of that concern by the appropriate authority.

Childminding Ireland specifically reserves the right to refuse any application for membership (whether that be initial membership or renewed membership) and the right to cancel or terminate any membership at its discretion in accordance with the policies of the organisation.

Insurance

As a member of Childminding Ireland you are eligible to join the Childminding Group Insurance scheme and enjoy the benefit of a discount for your Childminding Insurance. To avail of this discount please contact Kidd Insurances directly on 01 2079400 or by email to childminding@kiddinsurances.ie. The current cost for this insurance is €220.

Please note that you must notify your household and motor insurers if you are Childminding.

Child Protection

Neither I, nor any member of my household has ever been convicted of any offence in relation to a child, or of any offence in relation to the possession or use of any illegal drug. None of my children have ever been taken into the care of any Statutory Authority.

Agree/ Disagree

I will manage children's behaviour in a manner which is respectful, non-threatening and having due regard for their general safety and wellbeing.

Agree/Disagree

I will not deny access to my Childminding Service on the grounds of race, religion, disability, ethnic origin or membership of any minority group.

Agree/Disagree

Request for Membership

I wish to join Childminding Ireland.

I agree to notify Childminding Ireland of any material change to the particulars provided on this form.

Yes/No

I agree to abide by Childminding Ireland's terms, conditions and code of ethics (attached).

Print name: _____ Sign: _____ Date: _____

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Application Completion Process

Email your Application form to support@childminding.ie and call the Membership team on 01 2878 466 in order to make your payment of €55. You will then receive your Membership pack by email.

Cards accepted by phone:

Visa Debit, Visa, Maestro, Laser and Mastercard. Please note that card payments incur a charge defined by credit institutions. Debit card €1. Credit card €4. (Visa / Mastercard).

By post: Postal orders/drafts/cheques, payable to Childminding Ireland and post to Childminding Ireland 1st Floor, 39, Wexford Road, Arklow, Co. Wicklow

NB: Membership will commence upon receipt of payment, completed Application Form and Childminding Insurance confirmation.

Data Protection

We refer you to Childminding Ireland's Data Privacy Policy ("Privacy Policy") on the Childminding Ireland website at www.childminding.ie. This Privacy Policy explains how Childminding Ireland will process personal data in accordance with the Data Protection Acts 1988-2018 and the General Data Protection Regulation ("Data Protection Law").

The information on this application form will be held and processed in accordance with the requirements of the Data Protection Acts 1988/2003 and GDPR 2018. Childminding Ireland aims to maintain high levels of best practice of personal/or sensitive data

From time to time Childminding Ireland may contact me in writing, by telephone or means of email or text message regarding specific offers or information on products or services or market research. By ticking in the relevant box I have indicated to Childminding Ireland that I do not wish to be contacted by that method and Childminding Ireland has recorded these as part of my application. You can amend your marketing communications preferences at any time by calling us on 01 287 8466 or by emailing us at info@childminding.ie

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Members' Code of Ethics

Introduction

This Code of Ethics¹ outlines the values and ethics underpinning the work the members of Childminding Ireland. It provides childminders with a set of principles as a reference point for day-to-day decision making.

The Code of Ethics is centred on the rights of the child and the rights of the child's parent² as the primary carer and educator of their children. It is also based on Síolta, the national quality framework for early childhood education and Aistear, the national curriculum framework for the early years. The Code of Ethics is also informed by the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, and the national childcare strategy 2006-2010 diversity & equality guidelines for childcare providers.

The code of ethics is designed to be applied when working with children and parents and to emphasise the professional nature of the nurturing care and learning provided by the childminder. The code of ethics encourages and respects the childminder's own professional judgement.

Values Statement

Childminders recognise that:

- Every child is unique and has absolute rights;
- Childhood is a significant time in life that must be nurtured, respected, valued and supported;
- A child is active in their own development through their interactions with the world;
- Childminding care and learning takes place in the context of family, community, school and cultural settings;
- Childhood is a precious time when children learn to live and get along with others in their intimate circle.

Through their work with children and families, childminders will promote and maintain these values.

¹ Cased on the Code of Ethics devised by the Early Years Forum –Professionalisation Sub-Group

² The term "parent" is used to include parents, guardians and all persons who act in loco parentis

Principles of Childminding

1. The child's individual strengths, needs, rights and responsibilities are the focus of quality childhood experiences. Children have the right to be listened to and appropriately responded to.
2. Parents are the primary carers and educators of the child and have the leading role in promoting the child's health, well-being, learning and development. Open, honest and respectful partnership with parents is essential in promoting the best interests of the child.
3. Positive relationships, which are secure, responsive and respectful, stable and consistent over time, are foundational to child well-being.
4. Childminders respect diversity and ensure that all children and families have their own individual, cultural identity respected.
5. Childminders treat all children and families equally in line with the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child and the Equal Status Acts 2000 to 2004
6. The safety, welfare, well-being, care and learning of all children will be protected and promoted in the childminding service.
7. Childminders understand the role of play as central to the well-being, development and learning of the child and ensure that children have varied opportunities to play.
8. In the early years of childhood, care and learning are inseparable, and childminders take a rounded approach to the development of the whole child.
9. Childminders act with responsibility, accountability and integrity at all times. Childminders reflect on and can explain their practice and decisions.
10. Childminders value training and participate in continuous professional development.
11. Childminders seek to respond to the needs of children, and in consultation with the parents, will involve other professionals and agencies as appropriate
12. Childminders respect a parent's right to confidentiality and ensure that the nature and limits of that privacy are clearly understood and applied. Childminders will provide parents with all information and records relating to their children when requested.