

Section 152.243

(F) *Child care facilities.*

(1) *Family day care homes.* Family day care homes serving six or fewer children shall be considered a residential use of property and a permitted use in all residential districts.

(2) *Group child care homes.* Group child care homes serving seven to 12 children shall comply with the following:

(a) Appropriate licenses with the State of Michigan shall be maintained;

(b) There shall be no more than one dwelling unit on the subject lot. Child care activities shall not be permitted within any structure other than the dwelling unit;

(c) No structure on the subject lot shall be constructed or altered for nonresidential use;

(d) The residence shall comply with all current State of Michigan requirements for Family and Group Child Care Homes;

~~(e) There shall be a useable outdoor playground on the premises:~~

~~1. The playground shall not be located within the front yard, unless the Planning Commission specifically finds that it is the most appropriate location;~~

~~2. The minimum size of the playground shall be no less than 100 square feet for every licensed child care slot. The Planning Commission may reduce or waive this requirement if a public park is located within 500 feet of the subject lot;~~

~~3. All playgrounds shall be enclosed by a wall or fence at least four feet but no more than six feet in height and designed for child safety; and~~

~~4. The Planning Commission may require the playground to be obscured from abutting residential districts and uses by plant material.~~

(f) The hours of operation shall not exceed 16 hours within a 24-hour period. Activity between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. shall be limited so that the drop-off and pick-up of children is not disruptive to neighboring residents.

(3) *Child care centers.* Child care centers serving 12 or more children in a non-residential setting as defined in section 1(h) of the act, MCL 722.111, shall comply with divisions (F)(2)(a) through (f) above.~~the following:~~

(a) Appropriate licenses with the State of Michigan shall be maintained;

~~(b) There shall be no more than one dwelling unit on the subject lot. Child care activities shall not be permitted within any structure other than the dwelling unit;~~

~~(c) No structure on the subject lot shall be constructed or altered for nonresidential use;~~

~~(d) There shall be a minimum of 35 square feet of indoor play area for every licensed child care slot. The play area shall not exceed 25% of the floor area of the dwelling unit. Indoor play areas shall not include bathrooms, kitchens, closets or storage areas, utility rooms, enclosed porches or similar spaces;~~

~~(e) There shall be a useable outdoor playground on the premises:~~

~~1. The playground shall not be located within the front yard, unless the Planning Commission specifically finds that it is the most appropriate location;~~

~~2. The minimum size of the playground shall be no less than 100 square feet for every licensed child care slot. The Planning Commission may reduce or waive this requirement if a public park is located within 500 feet of the subject lot;~~

~~3. All playgrounds shall be enclosed by a wall or fence at least four feet but no more than six feet in height and designed for child safety; and~~

~~4. The Planning Commission may require the playground to be obscured from abutting residential districts and uses by plant material. The facility and all amenities shall comply with the most current requirements of the State of Michigan, Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs guidelines and specifications for Child Care Centers.~~

~~(f) The hours of operation shall not exceed 16 hours within a 24-hour period. Activity between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. shall be limited so that the drop-off and pick-up of children is not disruptive to neighboring residents or businesses.~~