

# DAYCARE OCCUPANCIES

OWNER / OCCUPANT INSPECTION INFORMATION

The B.C. Fire Code requires building owners and occupants to comply with the requirements on this checklist.

*These requirements are in addition to those listed in the Fire Safety & You brochure.*

## DAYCARE USES INCLUDE:

- Daycares
- Preschools



## CHECKLIST: COMMON FIRE SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

- Address:** must be visible from road and lane, free from foliage, and in a contrasting colour.
- Aisleways:** must provide a clear access to exits
- Candles:** must be securely supported in non-combustible containers, and located away from combustible materials.
- Combustible artwork:** shall not exceed 20% of the wall or ceiling area.
- Daycares with an occupancy load of up to 40 persons:** require a fire alarm and a Fire Safety Plan to BC Building Code and BC Fire Code regulations.
- Daycares with an occupancy load of 40 persons or more:** are required to have emergency lighting, to BC Building Code regulations 3.2.7.3(1) and 9.9.1.1.
- Egress:** each facility must have two means of egress from each floor area.
- Electrical outlets:** must be protected with secure covers.
- Emergency contacts:** each facility must have a telephone with local emergency numbers posted nearby.
- Exit doors:** must not be locked or blocked from either the inside or outside.
- Extension cords:** kept to a minimum and not overloaded.
- Fire Drills:** must be held at least once per month.
- Fire Safety Plan:** shall be in place showing procedures for evacuation, use of fire extinguisher, emergency numbers and conform to BC Fire Code 2.8.
- Fire separations:** must have no holes or openings that compromise their purpose.
- Furnace area:** must be segregated from the daycare by a proper fire separation.
- Interconnected A/C wired smoke alarms:** are required for each floor area.
- Locking devices on exit doors:** shall be readily able to open from the inside.
- Portable fire extinguishers:** must:
  - be located adjacent to corridors or aisles that provide access to exits.
  - be mounted in a visible location, accessible, and serviced and tagged at least once every 12 months by a certified technician.
  - be full and functioning (no leaks, damage, corrosion, malfunctioning parts or clogged nozzles).
  - have a minimum rating 2A-10BC
- Portable heaters:** must be an approved type and kept away from combustibles.
- Waste receptacles:** shall be of non-combustible material.



City of  
Campbell  
River

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

675 13th Ave  
Campbell River, BC  
V9W 6C1

250-286-6266

[www.campbellriver.ca/fire](http://www.campbellriver.ca/fire)