

WAC 110-305-4925 Licensed outdoor space. (1) The licensee must provide a safe outdoor play area on the premises.

(a) The outdoor play space must contain seventy-five square feet of usable space per child for the number of children stated on the license.

(b) If the premises does not have seventy-five square feet of available outdoor space per child, the licensee may provide an alternative plan, approved by the department, to meet the requirement for all children in care to have daily opportunities for active outdoor play.

(2) When the licensed outdoor play space is not adjacent to the licensed facility the licensee must:

(a) Identify and use a safe route to and from the licensed outdoor space that is approved by the department; and

(b) Supervise the children at all times when passing between the licensed outdoor space and the facility.

(3) The licensee must provide a written plan, approved by the department, to make roadways and other dangers adjacent to the licensed outdoor play space inaccessible to children.

(4) For any program that does not operate on public or private school premises, the licensed outdoor play space must be enclosed within a fence, barrier, or identified boundary. Any opening between fence slats may be no wider than three and one-half inches.

(5) For any program that does not operate on public or private school premises, the department may approve all or part of the outdoor space for use by a child care program that has been maintained by using the Consumer Product Safety Commission's *Public Playground Safety Handbook*.

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