

PURPOSE

Our aim is to ensure that children’s health, safety and wellbeing is adhered to at all times while in the care of an Educator.

SCOPE

This policy applies to the approved provider, staff, educators, and educator assistants of Clarence Family Day Care.

POLICY

In accordance with clause 167 of the National Law, approved providers, nominated supervisor, staff and educators have a duty of care to ensure children are provided with a high level of safety and every reasonable precaution is taken to protect them from harm and hazards.

Clarence Family Day Care acknowledge this and aim to create a safe and secure environment for all children and families who use our services.

PROCEDURE

An Educator must

- notify the scheme immediately if there is any firearms/ammunition located on the premises/place of business.
- provide the name of the household member(s) who are registered to hold a firearm. A copy of their current Firearms licence is to be provided.
- provide a signed Firearms Statutory Declaration. This declaration is to be signed by the holder of the firearm and state that they are aware of their responsibilities in regards to safe Firearm practices and procedures. (See Firearm Statutory declaration form/Firearm Safety Handout). This will be signed at the time of registration, every 12 months and if any circumstances change e.g. a change of premises.
- ensure that the Firearms/ ammunition are stored securely and separate from each other at all times.
- ensure that the Firearms/ ammunition are inaccessible to children and are not used in the presence of any child.
- adhere to the NSW Firearm Act 1996, Weapons Prohibition Act 1998 and all other associated regulations in NSW.
- not have any Firearms that are prohibited in NSW (see Weapons Prohibition Act 1998).
- at all times be aware of their responsibility to themselves, their families, visitors and anybody who uses their services(National Firearms Safety Code 9)

NATIONAL QUALITY FRAMEWORK

EDUCATION AND CARE SERVICES NATIONAL REGULATIONS	NATIONAL QUALITY AREA	NATIONAL QUALITY ELEMENT/STANDARD
167.	2	2.2, 2.1.2, 2.2.1

REFERENCE & RELATED INFORMATION

- Education and Care Services National Law Act
- Education and Care Services National Regulations
- Guide to the National Quality Standard
- New South Wales Firearm Act 1996
- Weapons Prohibition Act 1998
- Kidsafe Family Day Care Safety Guidelines, NSW

- www.legislation.nsw.gov.au Firearms Registry, Ammunition Safe Storage, Acquisition and Possession fact sheet.
- www.police.nsw.gov.au/firearms