SMALL HOME DAY CARE REQUIREMENTS

Definition
Small Home Daycare provides care for three (3) to five (5) preschool age children, plus up to three (3) additional school age children. Care must be provided on a regular basis at least once per week, for more than four hours per day.

Permits Required/Process

Evaluation of Structure- $150.00 - An evaluation is required so that the Building Inspector can inspect and evaluate the proposed Small Home Day Care space for minimum building code requirements. Once the Evaluation is approved, a copy of the evaluation form will be given to the owner/operator and a copy should be submitted to the State of North Carolina.

*Note: any deficiencies must be corrected by obtaining the necessary permits

Zoning Permit- $100.00 - A Zoning Permit is required so that the Zoning Inspector can ensure compliance with the indoor and outdoor play area requirements specified in the UDO. There is a two hundred square foot minimum for indoor area. There is an 800 square feet minimum for the outdoor play area; this area must be enclosed with a four feet minimum security fence. Once the inspection is approved, an approval letter will be given to the owner/operator and a copy should be submitted to the State of North Carolina.

Building/Trade Permit(s) - cost to be determined - If the Evaluation reveals issues that must be corrected, additional building and/or trade permits may be necessary. Once the permits have been obtained and the work is completed, you must call for an inspection. Once passed, a copy of the completed evaluation form will be given to the owner/operator and a copy should be submitted to the State of North Carolina.

Scheduling inspections
To request inspections, please call 336-727-2624; you will need your permit number(s) to schedule an inspection.

Other requirements
Licensure by the State of North Carolina

For additional information, please contact the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Inspections Department at: 336-727-2624