

5101:2-9-06 **General safety.**

- (A) No residential facility shall maintain any explosives, pyrotechnics, firearms, chemical weapons, or other similar device or substance anywhere ~~within the confines~~ on the grounds of the facility.
- (B) No residential facility shall permit any staff person, child, or security personnel to bear any firearm, chemical weapon, or other weapon or similar device while such person is anywhere ~~in or~~ on the grounds of the facility. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed as prohibiting law enforcement authorities from bearing arms when they are present at the residential facility in conjunction with their official responsibilities.
- (C) All porches and patios more than thirty-six inches above ground level, elevated walkways, and elevated play areas ~~within or~~ on the grounds of a residential facility shall be enclosed with barriers designed to prevent falls.
- (D) All workshop or outdoor power-driven equipment used by a residential facility shall be maintained and operated in a safe manner. Such equipment may be used by children as permitted by law but only when under the supervision of a staff person.
- (E) ~~When smoking within a residential facility is permitted, smoking areas shall be designated in areas which have direct outside exits. Smoking shall not be permitted in the presence of a child if the smoke would serve to aggravate the child's medical condition. A residential facility shall allow smoking only in an outdoor designated area. In the designated smoking area there shall be a proper smoking waste receptacle for collection of waste. All employees who engage in smoking shall wash their hands when they reenter the facility. There shall be no smoking in vehicles while transporting children of the facility.~~
- (F) All stairways accessible to children within a residential facility which contain more than four steps shall be equipped with a railing. In addition, any facility which is a residential parenting facility shall guard all stairways accessible to children with a safety gate.
- (G) Outdoor areas on the grounds of or immediately adjacent to a residential facility which are potentially hazardous to residents shall be safeguarded considering the age and functioning level of the residents.
- (H) Each residential facility shall document that all swimming pools maintained by the facility comply with the requirements of Chapter 3701-31 of the Administrative Code.

- (I) Pets or ~~domestic~~ other animals in or on the premises of a residential facility shall be kept in a safe and sanitary manner in accordance with state and local laws.
- (J) All children or teenage mothers residing at a residential facility shall be protected from animals in or on the premises of the facility which are potentially dangerous to their health and safety.
- (K) All locks on at least one doors door to any room or storage area in which a child could be confined in residential facility shall be of the type which permit the door to be unlocked from either side of the door and be unlocked from the inside of the room without a key. A door or a separate entrance to a portion of the residential facility such as a cellar, basement or outside storage room that is not accessible from within the residential facility or a door on a separate building such as a garage, barn or storage shed on the grounds of a residential facility does not need a lock that can be unlocked from either side of the door. Keys to such locks shall be kept in a place accessible only to staff of the facility.
- (L) All doors on toilet stalls and bathtub or shower stalls used by children in a residential facility shall be of the type which permit the door to be unlatched from either side of the door unless the stall is of such construction as to permit emergency access by climbing over or crawling under the partitions.
- (M) Each residential facility which maintains any poisonous, toxic, or flammable materials and substances for any purpose ~~in~~ on the grounds of the facility shall maintain all such substances in locked storage areas and according to the manufacturer's instructions.

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