

Pest Control

Policy Statement

We aim to provide a clean and safe environment by ensuring that every effort is made to maintain a vermin free Service. We will endeavour to do this with the minimum use of chemicals.

Policy Considerations

- National Quality Standards/Elements: 2.1.2 (Health practices and procedures), 3.1 (Design)

Procedure

- Equipment and food items will be properly stored so as not to attract pests and vermin.
- Bins and disposal areas will be emptied and cleaned daily.
- Kitchen and food storage will be cleaned and maintained daily.
- Should any pests or vermin be identified, action should be taken to rid the Service of the problem by:
 - Initially using non-chemical methods such as physical removal, maintaining a clean environment, and use of any non-chemical products.
 - Low irritant, environmentally friendly sprays to be used minimally and only with adequate ventilation and preferably not in the presence of the children.
 - Other methods such as the employment of a pest control company if deemed necessary by management where the above methods have failed.
- If urgent, the Coordinator may obtain a contractor to address the problem.
- If non-urgent, the Coordinator will bring the problem to the attention of the school/owner of the facilities in use, who will decide on the appropriate course of action.
- All action will be taken to remove the children, staff and parents from the environment until it is safe and viable.

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