

Curious Cubs Daycare

RISK ASSESSMENT POLICY

Policy statement:

I keep children safe by assessing any risks to their safety whilst allowing them the opportunity to take measured risks to support their learning and development.

Procedure:

I check my home and garden every morning before the minded children arrive to ensure that it is a safe environment for the children to play in.

I risk assess any environment that I take the children into, for example, walking to and from school, the park etc. If I am planning to take the children into environments that are unknown to me, I will do a risk assessment in advance, so I am aware of any potential hazards.

I will undertake full and thorough risk assessments in relation to all educational visits and ensure that any public health advice, such as hygiene and ventilation requirements, is included as part of that risk assessment.

I assess any risks and hazards when using transport and take action when necessary to minimise any accidents or incidents.

Where appropriate, I have written risk assessments. These detail:

- the environment to be checked
- the hazards
- who might be harmed and how
- what safety measures/precautions I am taking
- what further action is required
- frequency of checks

I also include a review date and review when there is a significant change in my setting.

My activities will be well planned and organised. I will plan for the unique needs of each child, depending on their age and stage of development, allowing children the freedom to play and explore, develop concepts and learn how to predict and avoid dangerous situations.

This policy also links with my Accident, incident and emergency procedures, Health and safety, and Outings policies.

Childminder's name	
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Date	
Parent(s)' name	
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Date	

Date policy was written	December 2025
This policy is due for review on the following date	December 2026

This policy supports the following Early years foundation stage statutory framework for childminders requirements:

Section 3 – Safeguarding and welfare requirements

- Safety and suitability of premises, environment and equipment – Risk assessment