

Child Care Centers: Child-To-Staff Ratios

CCL Arm rule 37.95.623

The child to staff ratio for child care centers is:

- ❖ 4 to 1 for infants zero months through 23 months with a maximum group size of 12;**
- ❖ 8 to 1 for children two years through three years with a maximum group size of 16;**
- ❖ 10 to 1 for children four years with a maximum group size of 24;**
- ❖ 14 to 1 for five years and over with a maximum group size of 32.**

Only the child care center director, early childhood lead teachers, assistant teachers, trainees, and substitute teachers may be counted as staff when determining the staff ratio.

Group sizes must be maintained except for mealtimes, outdoor play, rest periods, or during large group activities, such as educational assemblies.