

Little Feet Childcare Centre Limited

"we care for your child"

Pest Control Policy HS16

Rationale

Little Feet Childcare Centre aims to provide an environment which is free of pest and vermin and its harmful effects.

Pesticide: is a substance or a mixture of substances intended for preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest.

The Centre will attempt to prevent infestation by:

- Taking out trash daily or as needed
- Cleaning trash cans regularly
- Keeping trash cans or dumpsters covered and away from the building
- Keeping grounds clear of food and rubbish
- Preventing pest entry into the facility by sealing cracks and holes and using door stoppers as required
- Controlling moisture by maintaining plumbing and water drainage systems.
- Managing weeds effectively
- If a staff member sights any pest or vermin within the centre premises, they must inform the manager immediately.
- No bait will be laid down while children are present in the centre or during the centre operational hours.
- To control flies and cockroaches, the centre will use low allergic and odourless spray. Staff will ensure that no child is present in the area that is been sprayed.
- To control fleas, flea bombs will be used outside the centres operational hours.
- To control sand flies, sand pit will be raked twice a day and kept uncovered for maximum sun exposure during the day. Sand salt will be added to the sandpit every six months.
- Any deceased pest and/or pest wastes found on the premises will be disposed immediately and the area will be disinfected. Hand gloves must be worn at all times.

All disinfectant and pesticides are kept out of reach of children at all times!