

## Summary of Second Set of Proposed Rule Changes for Child Care Centers

### In-Service Training Approval - Rule .0708

1. An annual training plan, on a form provided by the Division, must be submitted to the Division for approval for trainings provided by a government agency or by a state or national professional organization.
2. Other agencies and individual trainers must submit in-service training approval forms provided by the Division at least 20 days prior to the training event. Specific areas that are evaluated in order for approval to be granted are specified.
3. A training roster must be kept and submitted to the Division no later than 15 days after the training event.
4. Training evaluations must be completed and kept on file for three years.

*See the proposed language for the full text.*

### Aquatic Activities – Rule .1403

1. Aquatic activities are defined.
2. Children under the age of three may not participate in aquatic activities.
3. Policies must be developed and shared with staff prior to any aquatic activities.
4. Requirements for supervision during aquatic activities are specified.
5. Staff/child ratios that must be maintained during aquatic activities are as follows:

Age of Children	Ratio staff/Children
3 to 4 years	1/8
4 to 5 years	1/10
5 years or older	1/13

*See the proposed language for the full text.*

## **Criminal Record Checks – Section .2700**

### **Rule - .2701**

A second fingerprint card is no longer needed for the national criminal record check.

### **Rule - .2702 and .2704**

1. Child care providers will have a modified criminal record check completed by the Division using the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) System every three years. Providers will be required to submit a form to the Division for the check to be completed, but there will not be a cost to the provider. The Division may request a certified criminal history check from the Clerk of Superior Court's office in the county where the individual resides, from the provider or household member to verify the AOC results. *This same change is proposed for nonlicensed home providers.*
2. The Division may complete a new criminal record check anytime there has been an investigation of the child care provider by the Department of Social Services or Division of Child Development and when other charges or indictments (pending or otherwise) occur after the initial qualification. *This same change is proposed for nonlicensed child care homes.*
3. Any individual over 15 years old who moves into the household, or any individual(s) who live in the household who has their 15<sup>th</sup> birthday after the initial licensing of family child care home, including family members and non-family members who use the home on a permanent or temporary basis as their primary residence, must complete the criminal records check process. *This same change is proposed for nonlicensed home providers.*
4. Wording has been added to clarify the types of criminal charges, in addition to convictions that may be considered when the Division makes a determination of qualification.

*See the proposed language for the full text.*