

FOSTER HOME INSPECTION

Name of Provider:	
Date of Home Inspection:	
Caseworker signature:	

Yes	No	N/A		GENERAL COMFORT AND SAFETY
			1	Hazardous chemicals, tools, matches, plastic bags, paints, gasoline, insecticides, cleaning and laundry materials (including bleach) are stored out of reach of young children. (7.708.26/A)
			2	Products which could cause poisoning or contamination are not stored in areas where food is stored or prepared (7.708.26/A)
			3	All food must be from sources approved or considered satisfactory by the health authority. All foods must be stored, prepared, and served in such a manner as to be clean, wholesome, free from spoilage, and safe for human consumption. Only pasteurized milk must be served, and accommodations must be made for those children/youth with lactose intolerance who are dairy free. Fruits, vegetables, and meats may be frozen. (7.708.43/D)
			4	All medication must be kept in a clean storage area inaccessible to children/youth and sorted according to pharmacy instruction in original container with pharmacy label. (7.708.42/J). All controlled substances must be stored under double lock at all times. Keys that open the locks to the controlled substances must be under the control of the foster parent(s) or secured in an additional locked area at all times. Review any exceptions with caseworker and document in the child's file. (7.708.42/J8)
			5	First aid supplies are readily available (7.708.42/E)
			6	Home is equipped with adequate light, heat, ventilation, and plumbing (7.708.26/C)
			7	Home is equipped with hot and cold running water (7.708.26/D)
			8	Water (from any source other than a regular municipal water supply) tested annually for compliance with water quality requirement. Copy of certificate provided (7.500.2/C7 and 7.708.26/B)
			9	The foster care home must have an active, working telephone, and emergency numbers must be posted in a common or visible area in the home, including those related to medical care, local fire, local law enforcement, ambulance, the statewide Child Abuse and Neglect Hotline (1-800-CO4KIDS), the National Suicide Hotline (988), the Colorado Crisis Line (988), Safe2Tell Hotline ((877) 542-7233), and poison control, where available. Numbers for the agency (970-498-6990) or person having legal custody of each child/youth in foster care must also be readily available. (7.708.26/F)
			10	Stairways containing more than four steps are equipped with a handrail (7.708.26/E)
			11	Dogs and cats are vaccinated as required by State law. Children not permitted to mistreat animals. Any animal posing a threat to safety or health is confined in a place away from children (7.708.31/D)
			12	Transportation for foster children must be provided for all necessary appointments and meet all guidelines in 7.708.47 including proper documentation and restraint. (7.708.47)

Yes	No	N/A		PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS
			13	Outdoor play space free from hazards, not less than 75 square feet per child (for children 12 months to five years of age). Written plan for supervision provided (7.708.22/B3)
			14	35 square feet of usable indoor space, exclusive of halls, baths and sleeping area, available for each child, variance is allowed for siblings groups placed together. All floor space has carpets, tile or smooth finish that may be easily cleaned. (7.708.22/B4)
			15	A child/youth must sleep in a crib or bed in a clean room which is not customarily used for other purposes such as a kitchen, dining room, hallway, or bathroom. There must be no more than four (4) children/youth in any bedroom. In sleeping rooms that accommodate two (2) to four (4) children/youth, forty (40) square feet of floor space per child/youth must be provided. Each bedroom for single occupancy must have a minimum of eighty (80) square feet of floor space. (7.708.22/B5)
			16	Interior walls constructed of solid material and free from holes. (7.708.22/B3)
			17	Toys and outdoor play equipment available to children. Materials and equipment are age appropriate and used for active and quiet play. (7.708.22/B7)

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			18	Beds used by children/youth must have an impervious, easily cleanable mattress cover, clean sheets, pillows, pillowcases, and blankets. All sleeping equipment must be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition. No child/youth shall be allowed to remain sleeping in a wet bed. (7.708.31/G4)
			19	Children over the age of 18 months do not sleep in the same room as unrelated adults (parents or other adult household member). (7.708.31/G5)
			20	Sleeping area for children under five years of age is near the bedroom of the parent or other responsible person. Monitoring systems may be used to ensure safety (7.708.31/G7)
			21	Sleeping rooms for unrelated children/youth in foster care must not be shared by children/youth in foster care of differing gender identities when one child/youth in foster care is over four (4) years old. Siblings of differing gender identities that are over the age of four (4) years and share bedrooms shall do so only with the written approval of the certifying authority and the county department of human/social services. (7.708.31/G5)
			22	Children under 12 years of age not permitted to sleep in a detached structure without a responsible person sleeping in the same structure. Written approval from the Department of Human Services on file (7.708.31/G7)
			23	Child provided with adequate sleep wear. A clean set of clothing must be available in the event that a change is necessary. (7.708.31/G6)
			24	Home equipped with refrigeration. Dishes washed, rinsed and stored in a safe and sanitary manner (7.708.22/B8)
			25	Children provided with necessary and appropriate toiletry items (clean, individual towels and washcloths, toothbrush, toothpaste, comb and shampoo) (7.708.44/A2)
			26	Weapons unstrung/unloaded, and stored in locked containers out of the reach of children. Ammunition and arrows stored in separated locked containers. Weapons not transported in any vehicle in which children are riding unless weapon is inoperable and inaccessible (law enforcement professionals exempt). (7.708.22/B1)
			27	Unfinished basements inaccessible when safety hazards present. (7.708.22/B4)
			28	Basement used regularly in the care of children/youth equipped with second exit, which may be an accessible window (with ladder) (7.708.22/B7)
			29	Exterior doors permit easy exit. Interior doors prevent children from being trapped (7.708.22/B6)
			30	Swimming pool, hot tubs, spas, temporary wading pools, ponds, or other water features on the property assessed for safety (review rule 7.708.22/B12) by certification worker and/or health department, and written safety plan provided. (7.708.22/B12)
			31	Written safety plan provided for use of trampoline (7.708.22/B11)
			32	A foster care home may only be used for rental income if the portion of the home and/or property being rented is entirely separate from the home where children/youth in foster care are to reside. No hazardous business on the premises of the home (7.708.22/B2)
			33	Mobile home skirted, properly installed and stabilized with two exits (7.708.22/B10)

Yes	No	N/A		FIRE SAFETY
			34	Fire hazards (such as defective electrical appliances, electric cords, dangerous or defective heating equipment or flammable materials) that are stored in a manner to create a risk of fire are corrected or eliminated (7.708.25/A)
			35	All heating units, gas or electric, must be installed and maintained with safety devices to prevent fire, explosions, or other hazards. No gas or electric space heaters, open-flame gas or oil stoves, hot plates, or un-vented heaters may be used in the foster care home for permanent heating purposes. (7.708.25/D)
			36	Flammables, aerosol paints, insecticides, chemicals, and other dangerous materials must be locked or stored so that they are inaccessible to children/youth and must be stored in areas separate from sleeping or living areas. No more than ten (10) gallons of flammable or combustible liquids may be stored outside a flammable cabinet with the exception of materials stored in an approved safety can. (7.708.25/E)
			37	Radiators, registers, fireplaces, wood-burning stoves, steam pipes and hot water pipes that pose a fire or burn hazard are screened or otherwise protected (7.708.25/F)
			38	Flammable materials not stored near a furnace, hot water heater or other heating device (7.708.25/G)
			39	Candles or other burnable objects not permitted in children's sleeping areas. (7.708.25/H)

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			40	There must be at least one (1) UL-approved fire extinguisher on each floor of the home and in the kitchen that is highly visible, easily accessible, and in working condition, weighing no less than two and a half (2.5) pounds, that has a rating of 2A, 10BC. Extinguishers are required to be maintained annually. (7.708.25/B)
			41	Smoke detectors are located on each level of the home and near sleeping areas (7.708.25/C)
			42	At least one (1) carbon monoxide detector installed per floor, per manufacturer's directions. (7.708.25/C)
			43	Exit doors are clearly identified. Exit doors do not have a lock or fastening to prevent free escape from the inside of any room. (7.708.25/I)
			44	Exit routes are free of discarded furniture, furnishings, laundry and stacks of newspapers or magazines (7.708.25/J)
			45	Children aware of fire evacuation procedures, escape routes and exits (7.708.31/B1)
			46	Emergency drills include provisions for roles and responsibilities during an emergency, evacuation of the home and assignment of a central meeting place (7.708.46/B)

Yes	No	N/A		FOSTER/KIN HOME SITE
			47	Record of regular fire drills documented, submitted, and maintained in provider file. (7.708.46/F)
			48	Home accessible to health resources, public and private utilities, adequate and safe water supplies, sewage disposal and fire and police protection (7.708.23/A)
			49	The following areas of the home have been inspected by the certification caseworker: Residence, surrounding grounds, basement, attic, storage buildings and/or garage or carport (7.708.23/C)
			50	Indoor and outdoor space is maintained in a clean and safe condition free from hazards to health and safety (7.708.23/D)

Yes	No	N/A		FOSTER/KIN HOME MAINTENANCE
			51	Home kept in good repair and maintained in a safe, clean and sanitary condition (7.708.24/A)
			52	Provisions made for collection, storage and disposal of trash to prevent infestation by rodents (7.708.24/D)
			53	Home is kept free from accumulation of significant amounts of non-essential materials such as furnishings, newspapers or magazines that could pose a fire or health hazard (7.708.24/C)
			54	Areas of the home accessible to children including equipment, materials and furnishings are sturdy, of safe construction, easy to clean, free of hazards and free of lead paint (7.708.24/B)

Yes	No	N/A		OTHER HOUSEHOLD REQUIREMENTS
			55	Foster/Kinship children aware of the rules/regulations of the home (7.708.31/B2)
			56	Foster/Kinship children aware of discipline used in the home, preventative and supportive discipline techniques, and corrective feedback and discipline techniques utilized excluding prohibited discipline techniques outlined in Section 7.708.41.F. (7.708.31/B7)
			57	A list of children's youth's rights and the grievance procedure must be provided to children/youth and posted in the home in the child's/youth's primary language. (7.708.31/B5; 7.708.33A; 7.708.33C)
			58	Each child's file includes: a complete record of admission/case file (see 7.708.63/B for complete list of necessary documentation.) (7.701.63/B1-12)
			59	Foster/Kinship parent(s) shall protect foster/kinship children from exposure to second hand smoke as follows: 1.) Smoking is prohibited inside the foster/kinship home at all times when a child(ren) is/are in placement. 2.) Smoking is prohibited in a foster/kinship parents' or substitute caregiver's motor vehicle when a child(ren) is/are in placement in the foster/kinship home. (7.708.21/I)
			60	A person shall not give, sell, distribute, dispense, or offer for sale a cigarette, tobacco product, or nicotine product to any person who is under twenty-one years of age. (7.701.91/D)

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VIOLATIONS:

I agree to have the above requirements completed by (date) _____

Signature of Provider/Date

REQUIREMENTS COMPLETED AND VERIFIED BY: _____
Foster/Kin Caseworker Date