



W A T E R S A F E T Y P O L I C Y

- need for educators to move between areas (effective communication strategies).

Approved first aid qualification: A list of approved first aid qualifications, anaphylaxis management and emergency asthma management training is published on the ACECQA website: www.cecqa.gov.au

Hazard: A source or situation with a potential for harm in terms of human injury or ill health, damage to property, damage to the environment or a combination of these.

Notifiable incident: An incident involving workplace health and safety that is required by law to be reported to WorkSafe Victoria. Notification is required for incidents that result in death or serious injury/illness, or dangerous occurrences. For a complete list of incidents that must be reported to WorkSafe Victoria, refer to the Guide to Incident Notification on the WorkSafe Victoria website: www.worksafe.vic.gov.au

Serious incident: An incident resulting in the death of a child, or an injury, trauma or illness for which the attention of a registered medical practitioner, emergency services or hospital is sought or should have been sought. This also includes incidents involving children under 16 years of age who are injured, traumatized or ill as a result of an incident involving a child.

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Procedures

The Approved Provider is responsible for:

- ensuring that children are adequately supervised (refer to Definitions) at all times when near water hazards (refer to Definitions)
- ensuring that educator-to-child ratios are maintained at all times (Education and Care Services National Law Act 2010: Sections 169(1)&(3), Education and Care Services National Regulations 2011: Regulations 123, 355, 357, 360)
- conducting a risk assessment in relation to any water hazards on or near the premises that may be accessible to children
- ensuring permission is obtained from parents/guardians for an excursion to a location where there is a water hazard (refer to Excursions and Service Events Policy)
- ensuring that water hazards and risks associated with water-based activities are considered in a risk assessment prior to conducting excursions and other offsite events (Regulation 101)
- ensuring increased levels of supervision for an excursion to a location where there is a water hazard (refer to Supervision of Children Policy)
- conducting a regular safety check of the service premises (refer to Occupational Safety and Health Act 2002)

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