BOOSH
Beecroft Out Of School Hours

Supervision

Policy Statement

The BOOSH Centre is committed to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of every child through consistent, active, and reliable supervision. The service will always meet required educator-to-child ratios and provide additional supports where necessary so that children are appropriately supervised and kept safe from harm and hazards. Educators are responsible for maintaining clear awareness of children in their care and ensuring they are accounted for at all times.

The BOOSH Centre's intent is to maintain high standards of supervision that protect children while also supporting their participation in play and learning. We achieve this through thoughtful rostering, clear allocation of supervision areas, regular headcounts, and communication systems that keep educators connected across the service. Ongoing training and reflection strengthen our supervision practices, ensuring educators remain engaged with children's play, communicate with one another, and assess risks as they arise.

Background

The Education and Care Services National Regulations outlines the need for approved providers to ensure children are adequately supervised whilst at the service, The BOOSH Centre recognises the importance of supervision and maintains this policy and the relevant procedures in order to ensure this obligation is met.

Legislative Requirements

This policy is consistent with the legislative requirements detailed in, but not limited to, the following *Education and Care Services National Law* and *Regulations*:

Section/Regulation	Description
Section 51	*Conditions on service approval (safety, health and wellbeing of children)*
Section 165	*Offence to inadequately supervise children*
Section 167	*Offence relating to protection of children from harm and hazards*
Section 169	*Offence relating to staffing arrangements*
Section 170	*Offence relating to unauthorised persons on education and care service premises*
Section 171	*Offence relating to direction to exclude inappropriate persons from education and care premises*

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Section 174	*Offence to fail to notify certain information to Regulatory Authority*
Regulation 99	Children leaving the education and care service premises
Regulation 101	Conduct of risk assessment for excursion
Regulation 115	Premises designed to facilitate supervision.
Regulation 168	Policies and procedures are required in relation to providing a child safe environment.
Regulation 176	Timeframes for notifying certain information to the Regulatory authority.

National Quality Standard - Elements used to inform our policy

2.2.1 - At all times, reasonable precautions and adequate supervision ensure children are protected from harm and hazard.

4.1.1 - The organisation of educators across the service supports children's learning and development.

5.1.1 - Responsive and meaningful interactions build trusting relationships which engage and support each child to feel secure, confident and included.

7.1.2 - Systems are in place to manage risk and enable the effective management and operation of a quality service.

Links to other policies

- Absconding
- Delivery and Collection of Children
- Excursions
- Interactions with Children
- Providing a Child Safe Environment

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