

Colorado Administrative Code _Title 1000. Department of Public Health and Environment_
1010. Division of Environmental Health and Sustainability_6 CCR 1010-7. Health and Sanitation of
Child Care Facilities in the State of Colorado_Chapter Nine. Care of Animals

6 CCR 1010-7:9-101

6 Colo. Code Regs. 1010-7:9-101Alternatively cited as 6 CO ADC 1010-7

1010-7:9-101. Number.

No more than three adult animals for every 25 children may be cared for at a child care facility unless the animals are utilized as part of a developed educational program or therapy program with a written plan that outlines the intended goal and need for the animals. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the properly located, stabled and corralled livestock, such as horses associated with equestrian programs at children's camps or fish in bowls or aquariums.

6 CCR 1010-7:9-102

6 Colo. Code Regs. 1010-7:9-102Alternatively cited as 6 CO ADC 1010-7

1010-7:9-102. Prohibited Animals.

Psittacine birds, ferrets, primates, poisonous reptiles, poisonous fish, poisonous amphibians, snakes greater than 6 feet in length, aggressive animals and fish, wild caught animals or any other animal which may pose a hazard to the health of the children shall be prohibited in the child care facility. Reptiles and amphibians shall be prohibited in classrooms with children under five years old.

6 CCR 1010-7:9-103

6 Colo. Code Regs. 1010-7:9-103Alternatively cited as 6 CO ADC 1010-7

1010-7:9-103. Animals.

Animals other than non-aggressive fish are prohibited in infant nurseries.

6 CCR 1010-7:9-104

6 Colo. Code Regs. 1010-7:9-104Alternatively cited as 6 CO ADC 1010-7

1010-7:9-104. Animal Bite Control.

(a) All dogs and cats shall have current rabies vaccinations administered by a licensed veterinarian. Record of rabies vaccinations shall be available at the child care facility whenever the dog or cat is on site.

(b) All animal bites involving species that are known reservoirs of rabies, including but not limited to dogs, bats, cats, ferrets, raccoons, skunks and foxes, shall be immediately reported to the Department or other appropriate agencies.

6 CCR 1010-7:9-105

6 Colo. Code Regs. 1010-7:9-105Alternatively cited as 6 CO ADC 1010-7

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1010-7:9-105. Maintenances of Enclosures.

(a) Enclosures for small animal, such as hamsters, gerbils, guinea pigs, rabbits and the like, shall be constructed to be non-absorbent and easily cleanable and shall be cleaned as needed so as not to create nuisance conditions. Animal waste, used bedding and other waste material shall be removed from the premise and not left to accumulate.

(b) Enclosures for larger animals shall be cleaned daily to remove animal waste, soiled bedding and other debris. Run off from enclosures, barns, corrals, and manure storage areas shall be managed in an approved manner so as not to pollute wells and waterways. Adequate fly and mosquito control measures shall be utilized as needed.

(c) All animal wastes on outdoor play areas shall be promptly removed and placed in a closed disposal container.

6 CCR 1010-7:9-106

6 Colo. Code Regs. 1010-7:9-106Alternatively cited as 6 CO ADC 1010-7

1010-7:9-106. Child Participation.

(a) Children's contact with animals, enclosures and waste products shall be supervised. Children under the age of 5 years shall not be involved with the cleaning of animal enclosures or the removal and handling of animal waste products.

(b) Children and individuals involved with the care, feeding or handling of animals shall thoroughly wash their hands immediately after any contact with animals, animal enclosures or animal waste products.

6 CCR 1010-7:9-107

6 Colo. Code Regs. 1010-7:9-107Alternatively cited as 6 CO ADC 1010-7

1010-7:9-107. Animal Feed.

Animal feed and bedding shall be stored separate from human food, food supplies and food preparation areas.

(a) Animals shall not be located in food preparation areas nor on eating surfaces.

(b) Animal feed that requires refrigeration may be stored in an impervious secondary container to separate it from human food and make it inaccessible to children.

6 CCR 1010-7:9-108

6 Colo. Code Regs. 1010-7:9-108Alternatively cited as 6 CO ADC 1010-7

1010-7:9-108. Allergies.

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Location and/or presence of animals shall be determined based on the protection of the health of children and caregivers with allergies.