



## Age Group Definitions Minnesota Statutes 245A.02, subd. 19

### Family and Group Child Care

"**Newborn**" means a child between birth and six weeks old.

"**Infant**" means a child who is at least six weeks old but less than 12 months old.

"**Toddler**" means a child who is at least 12 months old but less than 24 months old for family and group family child care (Class A and C 1, C 2, C 3). For specialized infant and toddler family and specialized group family child care (Class B 1, B 2 and D) a toddler means a child who is at least 12 months old but less than 30 months old.

CLASS	DEFINITION
A	12 months to less than 24 months
C1	12 months to less than 24 months
C2	12 months to less than 24 months
C3	12 months to less than 24 months
D	12 months to less than 30 months
B1	12 months to less than 30 months
B2	12 months to less than 30 months

"**Preschooler**" means a child who is at least 24 months old up to school age.

"**School age**" means a child who is at least five years of age, but is younger than 11 years of age.

**Minnesota Rules, part 9502.0367 Child/Adult Ratios; Age Distribution Restrictions.**

<b>A. Family Day Care:</b>			
<b>Child/Adult Ratio</b>		<b>Age Restrictions</b>	
<b>Licensed Capacity</b>	<b>Adults</b>	<b>Total children under school age</b>	<b>Total infants and toddlers</b>
10	1	6	Of the total children under school age, a combined total of no more than 3 shall be infants and toddlers. Of this total, no more than 2 shall be infants.
<b>B. (1) Specialized Infant and Toddler Family Day Care:</b>			
<b>Child/Adult Ratio</b>		<b>Age Restrictions</b>	
<b>Licensed Capacity</b>	<b>Adults</b>	<b>Total children under school age</b>	<b>Total infants and toddlers</b>
5	1	3	No more than 3 shall be infants.
<b>B. (2) Specialized Infant and Toddler Family Day Care:</b>			
<b>Child/Adult Ratio</b>		<b>Age Restrictions</b>	
<b>Licensed Capacity</b>	<b>Adults</b>	<b>Total children under school age</b>	<b>Total infants and toddlers</b>
6	1	4	No more than 2 shall be infants
<b>C. (1) Group Family Day Care:</b>			
<b>Child/Adult Ratio</b>		<b>Age Restrictions</b>	
<b>Licensed Capacity</b>	<b>Adults</b>	<b>Total children under school age</b>	<b>Total infants and toddlers</b>
10	1	8	Of the total children under school age, no more than 3 shall be infants and toddlers. Of this total, no more than 2 shall be infants.
<b>C. (2) Group Family Day Care:</b>			
<b>Child/Adult Ratio</b>		<b>Age Restrictions</b>	
<b>Licensed Capacity</b>	<b>Adults</b>	<b>Total children under school age</b>	<b>Total infants and toddlers</b>
12	1	10	Of the total children under school age, no more than 2 shall be infants and toddlers. Of this total, no more than 1 shall be an infant.
<b>C. (3) Group Family Day Care:</b>			
<b>Child/Adult Ratio</b>		<b>Age Restrictions</b>	
<b>Licensed Capacity</b>	<b>Adults</b>	<b>Total children under school age</b>	<b>Total infants and toddlers</b>
14	2 A helper may be used in place of a second adult caregiver when there is no more than 1 infant or toddler present.	10	Of the total children under school age, a combine total of no more than 4 shall be infants and toddlers. Of this total, no more than 3 shall be infants.
<b>D. Specialized Infant and Toddler Group Family Day Care:*</b>			
<b>Child/Adult Ratio</b>		<b>Age Restrictions</b>	
<b>Licensed Capacity</b>	<b>Adults</b>	<b>Total children under school age</b>	<b>Total infants and toddlers</b>
9	2 Both caregivers shall be adults.	7	Of the total children, no more than 4 shall be infants.

\*Class D may operate as a class B on days that only one caregiver is present.