



# RATED LICENSE FOR FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES



PROGRAM REQUIREMENT	EDUCATION REQUIREMENT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meets minimum licensing requirements.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>1 pt.</b></p>	<p>Operator meets minimum licensing requirements contained which includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Be at least 21 years old (exempt if operating prior to 1-1-98)</li> <li>Must have a high school diploma or equivalent (exempt if operating prior to 1-1-98)</li> </ul> <p>Must take 12 hours of annual in-service training (8 hours if 10 years exp. or more)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>1 pt.</b></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meets minimum licensing requirements;</li> <li>Has written operational policies.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>2 pts.</b></p>	<p>Operator meets minimum licensing requirements, plus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have completed the NC Family Child Care Credential or equiv. OR-</li> <li>Have completed at least 4 semester credit hours of ECE/CD<sup>2</sup> - OR -</li> <li>Have at least 5 years of full-time verifiable early childhood work experience and completed 8 additional in-service hours annually</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>2 pts.</b></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meets minimum licensing requirements;</li> <li>Has written operational policies;</li> <li>FDCRS<sup>1</sup> score of 4.0</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>3 pts</b></p>	<p>Operator meets minimum licensing requirements, plus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have completed the NC Family Child Care Credential or equiv.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>3 pts.</b></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meets minimum licensing requirements;</li> <li>Has written operational policies;</li> <li>FDCRS<sup>1</sup> score of 4.25</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>4 pts</b></p>	<p>Operator meets minimum licensing requirements, plus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have completed the NC Family Child Care Credential or equiv.</li> <li>Have completed at least 6 semester credit hours of ECE/CD<sup>2</sup></li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>4 pts</b></p>

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<sup>3</sup>NCECAC = North Carolina Early Childhood Administrator Credential

<sup>5</sup>ECE/CD = Early Childhood Education/ Child Development

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meets minimum licensing requirements;</li> <li>Has written operational policies;</li> <li>FDCRS<sup>1</sup> score of 4.5</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>5 pts.</b></p>	<p>Operator meets minimum licensing requirements, plus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have completed the NC Family Child Care Credential or equiv.</li> <li>Have completed at least 12 semester credit hours of ECE/CD<sup>2</sup></li> <li>Two of 12 semester hours in early childhood education are in child care administration or one year verifiable early childhood work experience.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>5 pts.</b></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meets minimum licensing requirements;</li> <li>Has written operational policies;</li> <li>FDCRS<sup>1</sup> score of 4.75</li> <li>Of the 5 preschoolers enrolled, only 4 children &lt;age 1</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>6pts.</b></p>	<p>Operator meets minimum licensing requirements, plus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have completed the NC Family Child Care Credential or equiv.</li> <li>Have completed at least 18 semester credit hours of ECE/CD<sup>2</sup></li> <li>Five of 18 semester hours in early childhood education are in child care administration or two years verifiable early childhood work experience.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>6 pts.</b></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meets minimum licensing requirements;</li> <li>Has written operational policies;</li> <li>FDCRS<sup>1</sup>score of 5.0</li> <li>Of the 5 preschoolers enrolled, only 3 children &lt;age 1</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>7 pts</b></p>	<p>Operator meets minimum licensing requirements, plus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have an A.A.S. or B.A. in any major with 12 semester credit hours of hours of ECE/CD<sup>2</sup> AND have 2 years full-time verifiable early childhood work experience</li> <li>- OR -</li> <li>Have an A.A.S. or B.A. in ECE/CD<sup>2</sup> AND have 18 months of full-time verifiable early childhood work experience</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>7 pts.</b></p>

## Composite Scoring for Star Rating

In each column determine the number of points attained based upon the highest standards met. Total the points from each column to determine the composite score.

### Total Number of Points

**4 through 6**

**7 through 9**

**10 through 12**

**13 through 15**

### Star Rating

**Two Stars**

**Three Stars**

**Four Stars**

**Five Stars**

*\*Note: You may choose to earn one quality point towards the total points earned on your rated license assessment. See Child Care Rule .2823 for a list of educational and programmatic options.*

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