Education and Care Services National Law (Western Australia)

## **Education and Care Services National Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 2023**

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Made by the Governor in Executive Council.

#### 1. Citation

These regulations are the *Education and Care Services National Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 2023.* 

#### 2. Commencement

These regulations come into operation as follows —

- (a) regulations 1 and 2 on the day on which these regulations are published in the *Gazette*;
- (b) the rest of the regulations on 1 July 2023.

#### 3. Regulations amended

These regulations amend the *Education and Care Services National Regulations 2012*.

### 4. Regulation 369 replaced

Delete regulation 369 and insert:

# 369. Educator to child ratios and qualification requirements for educators — children over preschool age

(1) In this regulation —

*approved educator qualification* means a qualification for the education and care of children over preschool age that —

- (a) is approved as a qualification for an educator, other than a first educator, by the National Authority; and
- (b) is included in the list of approved qualifications for educators, other than first educators, published under regulation 137(2)(c) for Western Australia;

approved first educator qualification means a qualification for the education and care of children over preschool age that—

- (a) is approved as a qualification for a first educator by the National Authority; and
- (b) is included in the list of approved qualifications for first educators published under regulation 137(2)(c) for Western Australia;

*approved qualification* means a qualification for the education and care of children over preschool age that —

- (a) is approved as a qualification for an educator by the National Authority; and
- (b) is included in the list of approved qualifications for educators published under regulation 137(2)(c) for Western Australia;

*first qualified educator* means an educator who meets the following qualification requirements —

- (a) the educator holds an approved qualification; or
- (b) the educator
  - (i) is enrolled in a course that is an approved first educator qualification; and
  - (ii) has completed at least 50% of the course; and
  - (iii) is making satisfactory progress towards completion of the course; and
  - (iv) is meeting the requirements for maintaining the enrolment in the course;

*qualified educator* means an educator who meets the following qualification requirements —

- (a) holds an approved qualification or an approved educator qualification; or
- (b) is actively working towards an approved qualification or an approved educator qualification; or
- (c) is a first qualified educator.
- (2) This regulation sets out, for children over preschool age
  - (a) the educator to child ratios for the purposes of regulation 123(1)(d); and
  - (b) the qualification requirements for educators for the purposes of regulation 126(2).

(3) The educator to child ratios for children over preschool age are set out in the 3<sup>rd</sup> column of the following Table.

**Table** 

Age group	Number of children	Number of educators	Number of qualified educators
Over preschool age (no preschool child attending session)	1-10 children	1	1
	11-26 children	2	1
	27-39 children	3	1
	40-52 children	4	2
	53-65 children	5	2
	66-78 children	6	2
	79-91 children	7	3
	92-104 children	8	3
	105-117 children	9	3
	118-130 children	10	4
	131-143 children	11	4
Over preschool age (at least one preschool child attending session)	1-10 children	1	1
	11-20 children	2	1
	21-30 children	3	1
	31-40 children	4	2
	41-50 children	5	2
	51-60 children	6	2
	61-70 children	7	3
	71-80 children	8	3
	81-90 children	9	3
	91-100 children	10	4
	101-110 children	11	4

- (4) The number of educators at the service who are required to be qualified educators is the relevant number set out in the 4<sup>th</sup> column of the Table to subregulation (3) in relation to the service.
- (5) One of the qualified educators at the service must be a first qualified educator.

Note for this regulation:

This regulation differs from regulation 369 of the national regulations made by the Ministerial Council.

## 5. Regulation 370 deleted

Delete regulation 370.

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