

MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD GETS THE CARE THEY DESERVE

USE A REGISTERED ECD



Parents, when you enrol your child at an Early Childhood Development partial care facility (ECD) or “crèche”, make sure it is properly registered. A registered ECD partial care facility is a secure and stimulating environment for your child to grow, learn and play in.

THE BENEFITS OF REGISTERED ECD PARTIAL CARE FACILITIES?

A registered ECD partial care facility is a secure and clean environment for your child to grow, learn and play in. Structured learning programmes encourage development through self-discovery, communication and sensory skills, along with promotion of self-control and independence. Registered ECD partial care facilities must provide healthy meals appropriate for the different stages of development.

WHAT CAN PARENTS DO?

When you send your child to an ECD partial care facility, make sure that it is properly registered and that a valid registration certificate is displayed. A registered ECD partial care facility must offer your child structured learning opportunities, and a chance to develop social skills in a safe space.

REGISTERING YOUR ECD IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO.



As an ECD practitioner running a registered Early Childhood Development partial care facility (ECD) or “crèche” is not only the right thing to do, but also gives parents peace of mind.

The Children’s Act requires that ECD partial care facilities and after school care services be registered with the Department of Social Development. When you are registered it ensures that the children attending your facility are receiving the required care, protection and support.

HOW DO I REGISTER MY ECD PARTIAL CARE FACILITY?

Follow these steps to register today:

1. Meet with the relevant service organisation that serves the area where you want to register your ECD partial care facility and after school care service. The service organisation will provide you with the necessary forms and information to register.
2. Complete and submit the relevant forms and information.
3. The service organisation will do an on-site assessment to check if you comply with all of the checks and balances.
4. Once you’ve been successfully registered, you can proudly display your certificate on your premises.
5. All DSD ECD services are free of charge. The Department does not charge for its part in the registration process. However, other municipal costs will apply.