



Hazardous Item Storage in Childcare Centers



Products that shall be kept behind “lock and key”

(Approved locks are those unlocked with a combination, electronic or magnetic device or key)

- ◆ Corrosive agents
- ◆ Detergents
- ◆ Household paints
- ◆ Pesticides
- ◆ Cleansers
- ◆ Fuel
- ◆ Bleaches
- ◆ Polishes
- ◆ Propane tanks
- ◆ Any substance which may be hazardous to a child if ingested, inhaled, or handled
- ◆ Any products which is under pressure in an aerosol dispenser (including sunscreen, bug spray, lotions, shaving cream, cooking spray, etc.)
- ◆ Products that state on the label to “Keep Out of Reach of Children” AND have any additional warnings (Ex. Skin irritant, eye irritant, flammable, combustible, call poison control if swallowed, etc.)
- ◆ Non-emergency medications (includes prescription and non-prescription items)



Products in non-pressurized containers that must be stored at or above 5 feet above the floor (or behind lock & key):

- ◆ Lotion
- ◆ Hand sanitizer
- ◆ Sunscreen
- ◆ Sanitizing solution
- ◆ Disinfecting solution
- ◆ Soapy water solution
- ◆ Toothpaste
- ◆ Bulk soap
- ◆ Non-prescription diaper cream
- ◆ Approved Emergency Medications
- ◆ Items that state on the label to “Keep Out of Reach of Children” WITHOUT additional warnings
- ◆ Keys or other unlocking devices used for locked childcare storage



Items and equipment that shall be stored out of reach of children or otherwise inaccessible to children:

- ◆ Bottle warming devices
- ◆ Food contact surfaces
- ◆ Employee purses and belongings which do not contain any hazardous items or medication
- ◆ Food preparation counters
- ◆ Soiled linens
- ◆ Soiled clothing
- ◆ Food