



Giggles and More Ltd

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Fire Safety Policy

Policy Statement

At Giggles and More Ltd, the safety of every child in our care is our highest priority. This Fire Safety Policy outlines the steps we take to prevent fire risks and safely manage an emergency while babysitting in a child's own home.

Fire Prevention:

- We ensure that cooking appliances are never left unattended while in use.
 - Children are kept away from hot surfaces and cooking areas at all times.
 - We do not smoke or allow smoking in the home while caring for children.
 - Flammable materials are kept out of reach of children and away from heat sources.
 - We work with parents to be aware of any fire hazards in the home.
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Fire Safety Awareness:

- Before each babysitting session, we ask parents to show us:
 - Where smoke alarms are located
 - Where the exits are
 - Where the emergency contact numbers are kept
 - Where the fire blanket or extinguisher is (if available)
 - We familiarise ourselves with the layout of the home and the quickest exit routes.
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Emergency Evacuation Procedure:

- If a fire occurs, we will evacuate the children immediately using the nearest safe exit.
 - We will take the child or children to a safe location outside the home, agreed in advance with parents (e.g. driveway or neighbour's house).
 - We will contact emergency services by dialling 999.
 - We will then contact the parents or emergency contacts to inform them of the situation.
 - We will never re-enter the home until it is confirmed safe by the fire service.
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Responsibilities:

- Babysitters from Giggles and More Ltd are responsible for being fire-aware, knowing emergency exits, and staying calm in an emergency.
 - We ensure our team receives basic fire safety awareness training as part of their role.
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Review:

This policy is reviewed annually or if any changes occur in fire safety guidance or working practices. Parents are welcome to read this policy and discuss any adjustments to suit their home.

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