



Equipment and Resources Policy

We believe that high-quality care and early learning is promoted by providing children with safe, clean, attractive, age and stage appropriate resources, toys and equipment.

To ensure this occurs within the setting we will:

- Provide play equipment and resources which are safe, and where applicable, conform to the BS EN safety standards or Toys (Safety) Regulation (1995).
- Provide sufficient quantity of equipment and resources for the number of children registered in the setting.
- Provide resources which promote all areas of children's learning and development.
- Select books, equipment and resources which promote positive images of people of all races, cultures, ages and abilities, are non-discriminatory and avoid racial and gender stereotyping.
- Provide play equipment and resources which promote continuity and progression, provide sufficient challenges and meet the needs and interests of all children.
- Store and display resources and equipment where children can independently choose and select them.
- Check all resources and equipment regularly as they are set out at the beginning of each session and put away at the end of each session. We repair and clean, or replace any unsafe, worn out, dirty or damaged equipment whenever required.
- Keep an inventory of resources and equipment. This records the date on which each item was purchased and the price paid for it.
- Evaluate the effectiveness of the resources including the children's opinions.
- Teach children to respect the equipment and resources and tidy these away when play has finished. This should be into a designated place with the guidance of staff.

Internal use only

This policy was adopted on	
Signed on behalf of Spice Childcare	
Date for review	