

**441—110.6(237A) Number of children.**

**110.6(1) *Standards.*** The number of children in a child development home or nonregistered child care home shall conform to the following standards.

*a. Registered child development home limits.* Except as provided in subrule 110.6(3), no greater number of children shall be received for care at any one time than the number authorized on the registration certificate.

*b. Nonregistered child care home limits.* No more than six children shall receive care at any one time if at least one child is school-aged.

**110.6(2) *Children counted.*** The number of children counted is as stated in Iowa Code section 237A.3A(4).

**110.6(3) *Exception for emergency school closing.*** On days when schools start late, are dismissed early, or are canceled or closed due to emergencies such as inclement weather, physical plant failure, structural damage, or public health emergency, a child development home may have additional children present in accordance with the authorization for the registration category of the home and subject to all of the following conditions:

*a.* One or more of the following conditions are applicable to each of the additional children present in the child development home:

- (1) The home provides care to the child on a regular basis for periods of less than two hours.
- (2) If the child were not present in the child development home, the child would be unattended.
- (3) The home regularly provides care to a sibling of the child.

*b.* The provider shall maintain a written record, including the date of the emergency school closing, the reason for the closing, and the number of children in care on that date.

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