

**10A NCAC 09 .2502 SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR SUMMER DAY CAMPS**

(a) A center providing care for school-age children exclusively on a seasonal basis between May 15 and September 15 shall be licensed as a summer day camp.

(b) A facility licensed as a summer day camp shall have a permanent structure located at the home base, which is the primary site of the summer day camp activities. The permanent structure may be a building or permanent roofed shelter with overhang. The summer day camp shall meet one of the following space requirements:

- (1) when activities for children are conducted outdoors or off the premises for at least 75 percent of each day, a minimum of 10 square feet per child of indoor space, exclusive of kitchens, hallways, restrooms, closets, and storage areas, shall be provided; or
- (2) when the camp's home base does not provide 10 square feet of primary space indoors, the camp shall provide notarized copies of all letters, agreements, or contracts with other facilities to the Division which guarantee that children will be accommodated comfortably indoors in the event of inclement weather.

(c) For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of G.S. 110-91(4) for summer day camps not covered by 10A NCAC 09 .2503(a), the following North Carolina Building Codes apply to the structure described in Paragraph (b) of this Rule shall apply;

- (1) when the authorized capacity of the facility is less than 30 children, the structure shall meet the requirements for residential occupancy as prescribed in the North Carolina Building Code. Children may use only those floors which have one grade level exit;
- (2) when the authorized capacity of the facility is more than 29 children, but less than 100 children, the structure shall meet the North Carolina Building Code requirements for business occupancy; or
- (3) when the authorized capacity of the facility is more than 99 children, the structure shall meet the North Carolina Building Code requirements for assembly occupancy, or educational occupancy or institutional occupancy.

(d) If a summer day camp maintains its master records for children and staff in a central location, emergency information for each staff person and child shall always be on site. The emergency information on site shall include the name and telephone numbers of the child's parent or other responsible person, the child's or staff person's health care professional or preferred hospital, any chronic illnesses and medication taken for that illness, any allergy and recommended treatment for that allergy, and any other information that has a direct bearing on medical treatment and safe care. The parent's signed permission to obtain medical attention must also be on site with the child.

(e) If food is prepared at the summer day camp, the rules regarding sanitary facilities, food preparation and service for summer camps as adopted by the Commission for Public Health and codified in 15A NCAC 18A .1000 apply.

(f) Staff in summer day camp programs required to complete Basic School-Age Care (BSAC) training as defined in Rule .0102 of this Chapter shall do so within four weeks of becoming employed.

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