



Mecklenburg County Health Department

Child Care Center Cleaning Guide

Outdoor Cleaning

- Outdoor playground areas shall be surveyed daily.
- Prior to allowing children to enter, to ensure equipment and toys are clean and free of animal waste or debris.
- Toys and water tables shall meet same standards as inside in addition to storing water tables such that no water can accumulate in (e.g. invert, store under cover)
- Outdoor drinking fountains shall be constructed to protect the spout from contamination and shall be kept clean.
- The sandbox used in outdoor play shall be constructed to allow for drainage and shall be covered when not in use and kept clean.
- Grass, fruit and vegetable gardens, vines on fences, and other vegetation shall be maintained in a manner which does not encourage the harborage of vermin.
- Outdoor learning environment, shall be kept clean, drained to minimize standing water.



RULE REFERENCE:

15A NCAC 18A .2815 (WATER SUPPLY)

15A NCAC 18A .2832 (OUTDOOR LEARNING ENVIRONMENT AND PREMISES)

15A NCAC 18A .2831 (ANIMAL AND VERMIN CONTROL)

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