



# Practice Alert

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## Non-safety Licensing Waivers for Licensing Relative Applicants

Per Foster Family Home Licensing Regulation [13 CSR 35-60.080](#), there are 13 non-safety licensing requirements that may be waived on a case-by-case basis in the licensure of a relative home. These 13 requirements include:

- Capacity; 13 CSR 35-60.020 (1) Maximum number of children in the home
- Capacity; 13 CSR 35-60.020 (2) Limits on number of children under the age of five
- Capacity; 13 CSR 35-60.020 (3) Limits on number of elevated needs foster youth
- Age of Foster Parent(s) 13 CSR 35-60.030 (1) Minimum age of 21
- Health of Foster Parent(s) 13 CSR 35-60.030 (4) (A) Physician statement and all immunizations up-to-date at initial licensure and renewal for all household members
- Health of Foster Parent(s) 13 CSR 35-60.030 (4) (B) Physician determination that all household members are in good physical and mental health
- Training; 13 CSR 35-60.030 (5) (B) Required 30 hours of in-service training hours for license renewal. This waiver does not include required in-service trainings including but not limited to; CPR, First Aid, RPC Trauma, Reasonable and Prudent Parenting Standard, or any Children's Division specified in-service training
- Physical Standards; 13 CSR 35-60.040 (1)(A) Location of home
- Physical Standards; 13 CSR 35-60.040 (1)(B) Size and floor plan of home
- Physical Standards; 13 CSR 35-60.040 (2)(D) Opposite sex in same room
- Physical Standards; 13 CSR 35-60.040 (2)(E) No foster youth age 2 and over sleep in same room with adult over 21
- Physical Standards; 13 CSR 35-60.040 (2)(F) No foster youth age 2 and over shall sleep in the same bed with the resource parent(s)
- Physical Standards; 13 CSR 35-60.040 (2)(I) Drawer and closet space specifications

If a non-safety waiver is allowed in licensure of a relative applicant, the form CD-152 must be completed and sent to Children's Division Central Office in Jefferson City for federal reporting. The comments box, field #11, must include information regarding how the allowance of the indicated waiver will not compromise the safety and well-being of relative youth placed in the home.

The purpose of this practice alert is to emphasize the training requirement for renewal of relative homes includes ( 13 CSR 35-60.030 (5)(B); CPR, First Aid, RPC Trauma, Reasonable and Prudent Parenting Standard, or any Children's Division specified in-service training.

Policy [Section 4 Chapter 12.3.3](#) has been clarified.

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