VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

SUMMARY OF CHILD CARE IN VIRGINIA

Туре	Licensed? or Regulated?	Capacity	Monitoring	Agency Handling Complaint Investigations
Licensed Child Day Center	Licensed	2 or more at a setting other than private residence; at least 13 or more if at a private residence	VDSS – twice a year	VDSS
Unlicensed Child Day Center	N/A	2 or more	None	Not Applicable
Religiously Exempt Center	Licensed	2 or more	VDSS – once a year, or as needed	VDSS
Certified Preschool	Regulated	N/A	VDSS	VDSS
Unregulated Child Day Center	N/A	2 or more	None	N/A
Licensed Family Day Home	Licensed	Maximum 12	VDSS – twice a year	VDSS
Voluntarily Registered Family Day Home	Regulated	Maximum 5	VDSS Approved Contract Agency randomly checks 10% of homes not on USDA Food Program; VDSS randomly checks 20% of all	VDSS and Contract Agency
Family Day Home System *	Licensed	Maximum 12	VDSS monitors System – twice a year System monitors homes – quarterly	VDSS for System System for homes
Unregulated Family Day Home	N/A	Maximum 5	None	Not Applicable
Child's Home	N/A	Total resident children	None	Not Applicable

^{*}System is licensed; homes are regulated.

NOTE: Every child in Virginia is protected by law against child abuse and neglect. Allegations of abuse and neglect are investigated by local departments of social services. The Child Protective Services Hotline number is **1-800-552-7096**.