

## Getting ready for Ofsted

### Ofsted inspections

Inspectors of Early Years education focus on the quality of the service for individual children and young people. During an inspection, inspectors collect first-hand evidence based on the practice they observe and what they learn from the people using the service. They use this evidence and other information available to make their professional judgements which they publish in inspection reports.

If providers become aware that they are to be inspected, they must notify parents and/or carers. After an inspection, providers must supply a copy of the report to parents and/or carers of children attending on a regular basis.

For a range of <https://thehub.walthamforest.gov.uk/tags/early-years> providers, Ofsted also act as a regulator, checking that people, premises and the services provided are suitable to care for children and potentially vulnerable young people. Where childcare providers do not meet the required standards, Ofsted require them to take the necessary action to improve or do not license them to operate. However setting up and operating <https://thehub.walthamforest.gov.uk/tags/early-years> provision also entails compliance with other statutory requirements, for example those relating to planning and building control, health and safety, employment law, food and hygiene, disability and anti-discriminatory legislation. These are not within Ofsted's remit.

Below we have displayed links to important information published by Ofsted and relating to Ofsted Early Years inspections. This is not a comprehensive list of all documents published by Ofsted, but provides a guide as to the ones that are most relevant to you as a childcare provider.

### Ofsted

[Being inspected as a childminder or childcare provider](#)

### Registration with Ofsted

[Become a registered <https://thehub.walthamforest.gov.uk/tags/early-years> or childcare provider in England](#)

[How to register as a childminder or nanny: quick guide](#)

### Inspection frameworks - what Ofsted look for

[Common inspection framework: education, skills and <https://thehub.walthamforest.gov.uk/tags/early-years>](#)

[Framework for the regulation of provision on the Childcare Register](#)

[Early years inspection handbook](#)

[Early years inspections: myths](#)

[Report template for <https://thehub.walthamforest.gov.uk/tags/early-years> inspections with guidance](#)

[Early years newsletter](#)

[Conducting Childcare Register inspections](#)

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## Other work that Ofsted does

[Early years provider non-compliance: action by Ofsted](#)

[Getting it right first time - survey report describing features of strong leadership in <https://thehub.walthamforest.gov.uk/tags/early-years-provision>](#)

[Early years: Leading to excellence](#)

## Ofsted Annual Reports

[Ofsted Annual Report 2016/17](#)

[Ofsted Annual Report 2015/16: education, <https://thehub.walthamforest.gov.uk/tags/early-years-and-skills>](#)

[Ofsted Annual Report 2014/15: education and skills](#)

[Ofsted Annual Report 2013/14](#)

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**Support Services:** [Curricular](#)

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