

GROUP SIZE Quality Standard



GROUP SIZE documents the number of children in each group, assigned to an identified teacher(s) within a designated space that is well-defined. Group size affects children’s development; in smaller groups it is easier for quality interactions among the children and the adult to take place.

No worksheet needed to complete this section. The maximum group size is always determined by the age of the youngest child who may be in attendance. Group size will be verified on-site by the assessor when a facility receives a star rating.

Terms: Group: a group of children assigned to an identified teacher(s) within a defined space.

Directions:

1. Note the age of the youngest child in attendance at any time. Using the youngest child’s age, compare your group size to the group size grid and check the box if the classroom meets the QRIS group size indicator.
2. Identify the tier on the grid below that corresponds with your group size.
 - If the indicator in Tier 2 is NOT in place, check the **Not yet at Tier 1** box.
 - If you are legally operating but do not meet the group size listed in the grid below based on the age of the youngest child, check the box for Tier 2.
 - If the indicator is checked in Tier 2, and you meet the group size listed in Tier 5, check off the Tier 5 box.
5. Transfer the information to the Group Size Quality Standard section on the *Application for a Facility Profile*
6. Attach documentation.



WHAT TO SEND IN: The **Group Size Quality Standard** section of the *Application for a Facility Profile*
A list documenting numbers and ages of children in each group

Group Size Quality Indicator

Not yet at Tier 1 <input type="checkbox"/>							
<input type="checkbox"/> Tier 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Legally operating	<input type="checkbox"/> Tier 5 Group size for the youngest child applies if the group is mixed						
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