

Education (Playgroups) Amendment Regulations 2009

Anand Satyanand, Governor-General

Order in Council

At Wellington this 24th day of August 2009

Present:

His Excellency the Governor-General in Council

Pursuant to section 319 of the Education Act 1989, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council, makes the following regulations.

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Regulations

1 Title

These regulations are the Education (Playgroups) Amendment Regulations 2009.

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2 Commencement

These regulations come into force on the 28th day after the date of their notification in the *Gazette*.

3 Principal regulations amended

These regulations amend the Education (Playgroups) Regulations 2008.

4 New regulation 19 substituted

Regulation 19 is revoked and the following regulation substituted:

"19 Ratios standard

The ratios standard requires the service provider for every certificated playgroup to ensure that—

- "(a) more than half of the children attending on any occasion have a parent or caregiver present in the same play area at the same time; and
- "(b) the total number of children attending on any occasion is not greater than 4 times the number of parents and caregivers present in the same play area at the same time."

Rebecca Kitteridge, Clerk of the Executive Council.

Explanatory note

This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These regulations, which come into force on the 28th day after the date of their notification in the *Gazette*, amend the Education (Playgroups) Regulations 2008.

The amendment substitutes a *new regulation 19*, which sets out the ratios standard for the adult to child ratio at certificated playgroups. The effect of the amendment is to require that, at any time at a playgroup, more than half of the children have a parent or caregiver pre-

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sent, and the number of children is not greater than 4 times the number of parents and caregivers also present.

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