

Date Issued May 21, 2025 Status Closed

Provider Name EMBE - SOUTH CHILDCARE
Provider ID 010605399
Provider Address 3510 W Ralph Rogers Rd, Sioux Falls, SD 57108, USA
Provider Contact Sarah Meagher

The items listed below are those that the provider was not in compliance with at the time of the inspection.

Compliance Plan Action #1

Administrative Rule:

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Center and school-age programs operating outside of a school building shall follow applicable construction and fire safety requirements, as outlined in chapters 61:15:05 and 61:15:06. School-age programs operating in a school building shall follow applicable construction and fire safety requirements, as outlined in chapters 61:15:01, 61:15:02, and 61:15:07.

A family day care home must have the following fire safety measures in place:

- (1) A working smoke detector must be located on each level of the home;
- (2) A fully charged, portable fire extinguisher, with a minimum 2A rating, as identified on the extinguisher label, must be kept in or within fifteen feet of the kitchen or food preparation area;
- (3) A carbon monoxide detector must be installed, according to the manufacturer's instructions, if a fuel burning appliance is present in the home;
- (4) Each level of the home must have at least two remote exits that shall remain clear of obstructions. One of these exits must be a standard-sized door, and the other may be either a standard-sized door or an unobstructed, operable window, having at least five square feet of openable space, with a minimum width of twenty inches and a minimum height of twenty-four inches; and
- (5) Whenever a portable space heater, a wood burning stove, or a fireplace is in use, the heater, stove, or fireplace must be inaccessible to children.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

At the time of inspection, an exit corridor was observed to be storing cots and blankets along a wall area with more than 10% covered in decorations.

During the inspection, an exit sign located between the office and the gym did not illuminate when tested.

Corrections to be Made:

The provider will ensure no more than 10% of the wall area in the exit corridor contains flammable materials.

The provider will ensure all exit signs are illuminated.

Corrections Made:

The provider submitted verification that the flammable items in the corridor were removed on 6/11/2025.

The provider submitted verification of the illuminated exit sign to OLA on 5/23/2025.

Anticipated Completion Date:
June 10, 2025

Date Completed:
June 11, 2025

Compliance Plan Action #2

Administrative Rule:

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All toxic or hazardous substances must be:

- (1) Inaccessible to children;
- (2) Used according to manufacturer's instructions;
- (3) Stored in the original or other labeled container; and
- (4) Disposed of according to manufacturer recommendations.

Bio-contaminants must be handled and disposed of properly. Soiled diapers must be changed promptly, in a designated area, on a non-porous surface. The diaper changing area must be clean and disinfected with a sanitizing solution approved by the department. Soiled diapers must be kept in a leakproof, nonabsorbent container that is covered with a tight-fitting lid.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

At the time of inspection, several sanitizing bottles were not properly labeled.

Corrections to be Made:

The provider will ensure all sanitizing bottles are labeled properly.

Corrections Made:

The provider immediately labeled the sanitizer bottles at the time of inspection on 05/20/2025.

Anticipated Completion Date:
June 10, 2025

Date Completed:
May 21, 2025

Compliance Plan Action #3

Administrative Rule:

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The following must be inaccessible to a child:

- (1) Firearms;
- (2) Pellet guns, BB guns, and cap guns;
- (3) Matches and lighters;
- (4) Tobacco products;
- (5) Choking and strangulation hazards;
- (6) Items capable of being pulled or tipped onto a child;
- (7) A platform measuring more than thirty inches above ground level, unless surrounded by a railing that is at least thirty-six inches tall with no more than five inches between openings; and
- (8) Other hazardous condition as identified by the department.

The department may direct a provider to remove or correct a hazardous condition or circumstance not covered in this chapter, if the department considers the conditions or circumstances to have the potential to cause injury or illness to the children in care.

Summary of Non-Compliance Finding:

At the time of inspection, a phone jack was not properly connected to the wall plate creating exposed wires in a child accessible area.

Corrections to be Made:

The provider will ensure all hazardous items such as exposed phone wires are secured and made inaccessible to children.

Corrections Made:

The provider replaced the phone wire, ensuring no exposed wires are accessible to children.

Anticipated Completion Date:

June 10, 2025

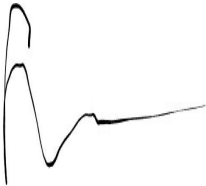
Date Completed:

May 23, 2025

Your signature below certifies you have read and understand the non-compliance findings and agree to make corrections to be compliant with the identified administrative rules.

Sarah Meagher

Printed Name of Provider/Agency Contact



Signature of Provider/Agency Contact

June 12, 2025

Date

The Department of Social Services, Office of Licensing and Accreditation has reviewed and accepted the above plan.

Morgan Jensen

Printed Name of DSS Staff



Signature of DSS Staff:

May 21, 2025

Date

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