

# Coronavirus (COVID-19)

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FOR EDUCATIONAL CHILDCARE PROVIDERS

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## 1- CONFIRMATION OF PHASE 3 OF THE RE-OPENING OF EDUCATIONAL CHILDCARE ESTABLISHMENTS: COLD ZONE

The Direction générale de la santé publique has confirmed to the Ministère de la Famille (MFA) that educational childcare establishments in **Québec's cold zone**, in other words, those located outside the Montreal metropolitan community, the regional county municipality of Joliette and the municipality of L'Épiphanie, **will be allowed to begin phase 3 of the re-opening** of their services **as of June 8**. This means that the **occupancy rate will increase to 75%** of their capacity.

Here is a reminder about the child/educator ratios allowed in childcare facilities during phase 3:

- A maximum of 3 children under 18 months of age;
- A maximum of 6 children aged 18 months to under 4 years;
- A maximum of 8 children aged 4 years and over.

Regarding home childcare providers (HCPs), **5 children are allowed if the HCP is alone and 7 children if an assistant is present.**

## 2- USE OF OUTDOOR PLAY MODULES

On May 30, the Government announced the opening of outdoor public spaces such as outdoor swimming pools and wading pools, bathrooms at these facilities, and play modules located in public parks, including splashpads.

In keeping with this government decision, the MFA authorizes educational childcare establishments to use their outdoor play modules but they must adhere to the government instructions regarding hygiene.

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If you do not find the answers to your questions on these websites, we recommend that you call the Centre des services à la clientèle et des plaintes of the MFA at the toll-free number, 1-855-336-8568, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday.