

# Ratios & Group Size Scoring Rubric

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## For Centers: Maximum 24 points

Indicator	Assessment*			
<b>Ratios</b>	Assessment maintains caregiver-to-child ratios, counting all children present including children of staff, as follows:			
4 points	2 year olds – 1:6 or less Mixed age groups: If one to three children, age 18 through 23 months, are in a group with 2 year olds, maintain a 1:6 ratio. Otherwise, maintain the caregiver to child ratio for the youngest age in the group.			
2 points	3 year olds – 1:10 or less			
2 points	4 year olds – 1:10 or less	or	1 point	4 year olds - 1:11 or 1:12
2 points	5 year olds – 1:12 or less	or	1 point	5 year olds – 1:13 or 1:15
2 points	6 year olds+ – 1:15 or less	or	1 point	6 year olds+ – 1:16 or 1:18
<b>Group Size</b>	Points for ratios must be awarded for group size points to be awarded			
4 points	Single age groups: 2 year olds – 12 or less Mixed age groups: If one to six children, age 18 to 23 months, are in a group with 2 year olds, maintain a group size of 12. Otherwise, maintain the group size for the youngest age in the group.			
2 points	3 year olds – 20 or less			
2 points	4 year olds – 20 or less	or	1 point	4 year olds – 21 to 24
2 points	5 year olds – 24 or less	or	1 point	5 year olds – 25 to 30
2 points	6 year olds+ – 30 or less	or	1 point	6 year olds+ – 31 to 36

## For Family Child Care: Maximum 24 points

Indicator	Assessment
<b>Ratios</b>	Program maintains caregiver-to child ratios, counting all children present including children of the licensee and staff up to age 6.
6 points	1:6 ratio
6 points	1:6 ratio with one or two children under age two with one caregiver, or no more than four children under age two with two or more caregivers.
<b>Group Size</b>	Points for ratios must be awarded for group size points to be awarded.
12 points	Up to 8 children with one caregiver, or 9 to 16 children with two or more caregivers

\*Ratios and group size will not be verified during nap time.