

N: English language skills - Childminders

What do I need to know?

- Legal Framework
 - [Equality Act 2010](#)
 - [The Health and Safety \(First-Aid\) Regulations 1981](#)
- [Early years foundation stage statutory framework for childminders](#) pages 24-25, paragraph 3.45

English language skills (page 27 of audit)	Things to consider and discuss:
Do you ensure that staff have sufficient understanding and use of English to ensure the well-being of children in your care? Do you ensure you are able to: • keep records in English? • liaise with other agencies in English? • summon emergency help? • understand instructions such as those for the safety of medicines or food hygiene?	• How do you check employees have sufficient understanding and use of English to ensure the well-being of children? What information and, or evidence do you require to check this? • How do you ensure that your assistants have sufficient understanding and use of English for their role and responsibilities? • What other situations require a certain level of comprehension and ability to speak English?

Useful links and further help:

[UK Government and Ofsted guidance to registration](#)

[Start - Check an Early Years qualification](#)

[Derbyshire SchoolsNet - Early Years Team](#)

[Derbyshire Early Years Service - Eventbrite](#)

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