

Happy Days Childminding Lost or missing children

Procedure if a child is lost or goes missing

I will safely supervise children when we go on outings or trips and undertake a risk assessment. I will teach the children about safety when we are out and about and tell them what to do if they do become lost according to their age and stage of development. E.g. stay where they are, meet up at a certain place, use their mobile phone to summon help.

If a child goes missing, I will tell the police, provide a description and search the area. If a child goes missing in a public place e.g. a library, park, shop or shopping centre I will also alert the staff and security staff. Then, I will contact the parents and Ofsted. Other children in my care will be kept with me and reassured.

Childminder's name	
Childminder's signature	
Date	
Parent(s)' name	
Parent(s)' signature	
Date	
Date policy was written	
This policy is due for review on the following date	

England

Meeting the Early Years Foundation Stage welfare requirements

Safeguarding and promoting children's welfare – The provider must take necessary steps to safeguard and promote the welfare of children.

Providers must engage with and provide the following information for parents.

The procedure to be followed in the event of a child going missing.