

## 2024/2025 Programme Year ECCE Minimum Numbers Exemption Application

<b>Date of Application</b>	
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CCC	Service Name	Service Reference No.	Service Type (Community/Private)

Exemption Sought Under	Tick Relevant Box
A) Approved providers who have a daily enrolment of at least 8 children, but for good reason, only 3 or more are in the ECCE Programme and the remainder are between the ages 2 years 6 months and 6 years;	
B) Services limited by capacity but are considered appropriate settings for delivery of the preschool programme and have a daily enrolment of not fewer than 5 ECCE eligible children in preschool room sessions;	
C) A service that has a full ECCE room <b>and</b> has additional children eligible for ECCE in another room that is delivering the ECCE Programme to a daily enrolment of not fewer than 5 children subject to the requirement that ECCE staff qualification criteria are met;	
D) Tusla registered childminders with a daily enrolment of 5 children between the ages of 2 years 6 months and 6 years;	
E) A service has a minimum of 4 children in a childcare service, who are all eligible for the ECCE Programme and is based in an area where no other ECCE provision is available to parents;	
There is a need for childcare in the area;	Yes/No
The exempted session has an appropriately qualified Lead Educator and Educator (where relevant);	Yes/No
The children in the session are within the relevant age range;  Please provide the number of children and their dates of birth:	Yes/No

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Daily attendance levels in the session will satisfy the criteria under the option selected above (with the exception of illness, etc.);	Yes/No
Appropriate curriculum is in place (routines and schedules are appropriate to the children's needs);	Yes/No
Appropriate environment (developmentally appropriate materials and resources are available for ECCE children);	Yes/No

On behalf of \_\_\_\_\_ (name of Early Learning Care Service) I wish to apply for a minimum exemption for the programme year 2024/2025.

Signature of Primary Authorised User: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature in Block Capitals: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Service Reference No: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this form to your local City/County Childcare Committee for review.**

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**For CCC use only:**

I have reviewed this application and would recommend the granting of a Minimum Exemption for the programme year 2024/2025.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature in Block Capitals: \_\_\_\_\_

CCC: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Upon receipt of the stamped form from your local CCC, please raise a new request on the EY HIVE as follows:

- Click in Requests -> Click in New Request -> User Account Management
- Request type: Programme Readiness
- Request type detail: ECCE Minimum Exemption.