

**POLICY NO.13 POWER FAILURE POLICY****REV: 09 DATE: 16.08.21****Emergency Procedures In the Event of a Power Failure**

- As soon as there is an electrical power failure ESB networks or our current electricity supplier will be contacted by the Manager, Deputy Manager Supervisor or Administrator for information at 1850 372 999 with the following MPRN Number quoted 10008072019.
- The centre is heated by under floor electrical heating through the night-time period. In the event that the power fails, it is possible that the building may reach the required temperature to continuing operating. A decision on this matter will be taken by the Manager or Deputy Manager and should the care of the children be compromised by a lack of heat the center will go into a close down operation.
- Emergency lighting is provided in all rooms in the building. In the event of a power failure, they will provide a limited amount of light. The emergency lighting is tested regularly and maintained by a competent contractor. In the event that the power fails, it is possible that the building may be lit and sufficiently to continuing operating particularly during the Summer period.
- A decision on this matter will be taken by the Manager or Deputy Manager and should the care of the children be compromised by a lack of lighting the center will go into a close down operation.
- We use a gas stove on the premises, therefor we can provide hot food in these circumstances.

In the event of a power failure, the situation will be assessed by the Manager or Deputy Manager which includes the outdoor and indoor temperatures, amount of time the electricity is off, the amount of natural lighting in the rooms. Once electricity is off for a period of time, parents may be contacted to collect their child/children to facilitate a close down operation.

If it is deemed necessary to close the centre due to the care and well being of the children being compromised, we will require full co-operation from parents who must arrange to have their child/children collected from the centre in a timely manner.

It is possible that such a procedure will be carried out with limited notice.

**APPROVAL DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPLEMENTATION DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNED:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**(On behalf of the Board of Directors)**