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June 6, 2022

Sonya Gibbons
 615 Teman St.
 St. Louis, MI 48880

RE: License #: DG290391439
Kidlet Kare
615 Teman St.
St. Louis, MI 48880

Dear Ms. Gibbons:

Attached is your renewal inspection report. You can find a copy of this renewal inspection report and any associated corrective action plans on our [website](#) under [Statewide Search for Licensed Child Care Centers and Homes](#). A description of when renewal inspection reports are completed can be found under [Overview of Licensing Reports](#).

During the renewal inspection on 06/03/2022, I found one violation(s) listed below and explained in the attached report:

- R400.1921(1) Water hazards; water activities.

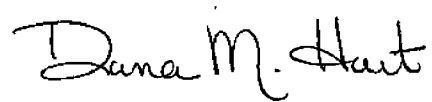
You gave us an acceptable written corrective action plan. We will send you a regular license in the mail.

During calendar year 2021:	Total
Number of serious injuries that occurred in facility.	0
Number of deaths that occurred in the facility.	0
Number of substantiated cases of abuse and/or neglect of a child that occurred at the facility.	0

Please contact me with any questions. In the event that I am not available and you need to speak to someone immediately, please contact the local office at 517-284-9730.

Per MCL 722.113g, this report and any related corrective action plans must be filed in your Licensing Notebook.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dana M. Hart". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped "D" and "H".

Dana M. Hart, Licensing Consultant
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Enclosure

**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
CHILD CARE LICENSING BUREAU
RENEWAL INSPECTION REPORT**

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

License #:	DG290391439
Licensee Name:	Sonya Gibbons
Licensee Address:	615 Teman St. St. Louis, MI 48880
Licensee Telephone #:	
Licensee:	N/A
Name of Facility:	Kidlet Kare
Facility Address:	615 Teman St. St. Louis, MI 48880
Facility Telephone #:	(989) 388-3420
Original Issuance Date:	12/19/2017
Capacity:	12
Age Range:	Ages Birth Thru 12 years

II. METHODS OF INSPECTION

Date of On-site Inspection(s):

06/03/2022

	No. of Records Reviewed	
No. of children enrolled in care	17	5
No. of assistant caregivers employed	2	2
No. of child care children present at time of inspection	8	
No. of other children present at time of inspection	0	
No. of assistant caregivers present at time of inspection	1	
Licensee present at time of inspection?	Yes	
Persons Interviewed:	Licensee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Assistant Caregivers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Approved child use space: On the main level: the kitchen, the daycare room (SW), the daycare mud room (SW) and the daycare toy room (NW) are approved for child care use. The bathroom, located adjacent to the kitchen, is available for use by the child care children.

Exiting information (including second floor and basement): On the main level there are three exits that can be used by the child care children. The front door, located in the dining room, exits out onto a deck area with five steps down to the front yard (east); a back door, located in the daycare room (SW), exits out onto a deck area with three steps down to the back yard (west); and a side door, located in the daycare mud room (SW), that exits out to three steps down to the side yard (south).

Approved variances - No Yes Description:

Key Indicator Inspection: No.

Additional information:

- Pets? No Yes If yes, describe.
There is one large dog that does not have contact with the child care children and one cat that has minimal contact with the child care children.
- Hot tubs or spa pool? No Yes If yes, are there appropriate barriers?
- Swimming pool? No Yes If yes, describe pool and barriers.
The fencing around the pool meets the 4 feet height requirement and is secured to prevent child care children access to the pool.
- Other water hazards? No Yes If yes, describe.
- Fireplace or wood burning stove? No Yes If yes, describe.
- Fireplace/wood burner in use during child care hours? No Yes If yes, describe barriers to protect children from burns.

III. DESCRIPTION OF FINDINGS & CONCLUSIONS

This renewal inspection involved a review of all applicable child care home administrative rules and statutes. Verification of compliance included direct observations of the physical environment and the program, discussions with staff, and a review of the home's records, including staff records and children's records. Staff records include background checks, medical clearance information, and training information. Children's records include child information cards and child in care statements/receipts.

When I arrived on-site, Ms. Sonya Gibbons was present; along with child care staff member Ms. Maddyson Allen. There were eight children present; two of the children were related to Ms. Gibbons. The children were observed eating a snack and washing their hands and using the bathroom as they finished. Once they had washed their hands, they either played with the toys and equipment or sat at the tables and colored a picture.

Ms. Gibbons has worked really hard to provide an inviting and child-friendly environment with an established routine and expectations. The children were familiar with the routine and the expectations. They appeared happy and comfortable within the care of Ms. Gibbons and Ms. Allen.

During the inspection, the child care home was found to be in compliance with all applicable rules and statutes except for the following violations:

R 400.1921 Water hazards; water activities.

(1) A licensee shall ensure that barriers exist to prevent children from gaining access to any swimming pool, drainage ditch, well, natural or constructed pond, or other body of open water located on or adjacent to the property where the child care home is located. These barriers must be a minimum of 4 feet in height and appropriately secured to prevent children from gaining access to such areas.

Ms. Gibbons is in the process of installing a deck around the above ground pool. The temporary fencing, she had put into place, was not secured and did not prevent children from gaining access to the pool.


Technical assistance and consultation were provided to Ms. Sonya Gibbons in the following areas:

- **R400.1923(2)(e) Diapering and toilet learning.** The designated changing area must comply with all of the following: (e) Be cleaned and sanitized after each use.
 - “Cleaned” means washed vigorously with soap and water and rinsed with clean water.
- **R400.1920(1) Outdoor play area and equipment.** A child care home shall provide a clean, safe, and hazard free outdoor play area, on the premises or within a reasonable walking distance of the home.
 - Fix the missing spindle on the deck rail; remove the teeter totter from the play area; and remove the ladder to the trampoline when child care children are in care.
- **R400.1907 Child’s record.** Update child information cards and child in care statements within the next calendar year.

A corrective action plan was requested and approved on 06/03/2022. It is expected that the corrective action plan be implemented within the specified time frames as outlined in the approved plan. A follow-up evaluation may be made to verify compliance. Should the corrections not be implemented in the specified time, it may be necessary to reevaluate the status of your license.

IV. RECOMMENDATION

I recommend issuance of a regular license to this child care group home (capacity 7-12).



06/06/2022

Dana M. Hart
Licensing Consultant

Date