



# EXEMPTIONS FROM OVERHOUSING RESTRICTIONS FOR REGULAR PROVIDERS OF DAY CARE

**ON MOTION DULY MADE, SECONDED, AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THE FOLLOWING POLICY REGARDING EXEMPTIONS FROM OVERHOUSING RESTRICTIONS FOR REGULAR PROVIDERS OF DAY CARE WAS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SHAMROCK CO-OP:**

**Date passed by the Board of Directors:** August 9th, 1990  
**Date deferred by the Membership:** November 29th, 1993  
**Date confirmed by the Members:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PREAMBLE:**

All units at Shamrock are accessible on one level by wheelchair and could be suitable for private day care of a disabled child or a child of disabled parents. Such accommodation is in short supply in the Kitchener-Waterloo area.

Shamrock has a mandate to provide housing for disabled and able-bodied people of low to moderate income. It is likely in these unique circumstances that there will be resident Members who would choose to supplement their income by providing private day care. To do so for a disabled child would require that the living room be taken over in great part by this activity, and a resident may choose to treat one of the bedrooms as a family room. If the resident's income is eligible for income-tested assistance under the Ministry of Housing guidelines, it may be that they would be considered "overhoused" in the arrangement described above.

We believe that such day care is a vital service to the community. It also makes financial sense for the provider, adds to household income and reduces the requirement for income-tested assistance.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**

That a resident member on income-tested assistance and qualifying for a two-bedroom unit may be subsidized in a three-bedroom unit as long as the member acts as a provider of private day care to a disabled child.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**

That such an exemption from the Ministry of Housing guidelines will be determined on a case by case basis and only with the approval of the Ministry.

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That in periods of hiatus when an exempted household is not providing such day care, the subsidized housing charge will be adjusted to that of a two-bedroom unit; or if the day care provision is suspended indefinitely, the household must agree to move to the next available, appropriate two-bedroom unit.