

Childcare Connections

Shade

Day care providers and day care centres must have access to an outdoor play area that provides shade and open space for the number of children using the space.

[Day Care Centre Regulation 11(2a), Child Care Standard 11.5b]

There must be enough shade available for all children using the play space to comfortably seek refuge. This means childcare settings may need to limit the number of children on the play space to allow for sufficient shade, or change outdoor play times to align with the most natural shade available on your play space.



Natural shade provided by trees and buildings.



Pop-up tents, shade sails, shaded porches and umbrellas



DIY shade structures using sheets, tarps, etc.: DIY shade ideas:

[25 Easy DIY Sun Shade Ideas for your Beautiful Backyard](#)

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