

SWORN STATEMENT OR AFFIRMATION

Please Print

Last Name	First	Middle	Maiden		
Date of Birth		Social Security Number			
Current Address	Street,	Apt. #	City	State	Zip Code

1. Have you ever been convicted of or are you the subject of pending charges of any crime within the Commonwealth or equivalent offense outside the Commonwealth?

☐ Yes (convicted in Virginia) ☐ Yes (pending in Virginia) ☐ No

If yes or pending, specify crime(s):

☐ Yes (convicted outside Virginia) ☐ Yes (pending outside Virginia) ☐ No

If yes or pending, specify crime(s) and state, or other location:

2. Have you ever been the subject of a founded complaint of child abuse or neglect within or outside the Commonwealth?

☐ Yes (in Virginia) ☐ No (in Virginia)

☐ Yes (outside Virginia) ☐ No (outside Virginia)

If yes or pending, specify state, or other location: _____

I hereby affirm that the information provided on this form is true and complete. I understand that the information is subject to verification.

Signature Date

**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
DIVISION OF LICENSING PROGRAMS
(Model Form)**

Explanation of Sworn Statement or Affirmation

Requirement: Sections 63.2-1704, 63.2-1720, 63.2-1721, 63.2-1722, 63.2-1724 and 63.2-1725 of the *Code of Virginia* (Code) require individuals to provide a sworn statement or affirmation to a licensing, approving or hiring authority, facility, or agency prior to licensure, registration, approval, employment, or provision of volunteer services. A sworn disclosure or affirmation is a statement completed by a person attesting to whether he has ever been: (i) convicted of or the subject of pending charges of any crime within the Commonwealth or equivalent offense outside the Commonwealth, or (ii) the subject of a founded complaint of child abuse or neglect within or outside the Commonwealth. Additionally for family day homes, the person affirms if he, or if he knows that any person who resides in the home, has a sex offense conviction or is the subject of a founded complaint of child abuse or neglect within or outside the Commonwealth. The statement or affirmation must be made available to the Department of Social Services' representative.

Who must comply: These individuals must provide sworn statements or affirmations:

- Applicant upon application for licensure or registration as a child welfare agency, and any subsequent person designated as applicant, licensee, or registrant;
- Agent at the time of application who is or will be involved in the day-to-day operation of the child welfare agency or who is or will be alone with, in control of, or supervising one or more of the children and any subsequent person designated as agent who will be involved in the day-to-day operation or will be alone with, in control of, or supervising one or more of the children;
- Any other adult living in the home of an applicant for licensure or registration or approval as a family day home, or any existing employee or volunteer, and subsequent employee or volunteer or other adult living in the home;
- Prospective foster or adoptive parent;
- Operator of family day home requesting approval by family day system;
- Person who signs the statement of intent to operate a religious exempt child day center;
- Any person who will be expected to be alone with one or more children enrolled in a religious exempt child day center; and
- Any employee or volunteer of a licensed, registered, or approved facility who is involved in the day-to-day operations or who is alone with, in control of, or supervising one or more children.

Note: Any other child day center or family day home that has not otherwise met these requirements, and applies to enter into a contract with a local department to provide child care services to clients of a local department, must also submit a sworn statement or affirmation.

Exception: a parent-volunteer is not required to provide a sworn statement or affirmation. A parent-volunteer is a person supervising, without pay, a group of children that includes the parent-volunteer's own child in a program that operates no more than four hours per day, provided that the parent-volunteer works under the direct supervision of a person who has received satisfactory background checks as provided for in the Code.

Any person making a materially false statement regarding any such offense is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.

Further dissemination of the sworn statement information is prohibited other than to the Commissioner's representative or a federal or state authority or court in order to comply with an express requirement in the law for that dissemination.

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Consequence: If a person required to submit a sworn statement or affirmation has been: (i) convicted of a barrier crime (specified below), or (ii) convicted of any other felony in the last five years, or (iii) the subject of a founded complaint of child abuse or neglect:

- Licensure, registration or approval of a child welfare agency is prohibited;

- Licensure, registration or approval will be revoked and renewal of a license or registration or religious exempt status will be denied;
- Religious exempt status will be revoked; and
- The child welfare agency will not be permitted to receive federal, state or local child care funds.

Exception: A child-placing agency may approve as an adoptive parent an applicant convicted of not more than one misdemeanor of assault and battery, as defined in §63.2-57 of the Code, not involving abuse, neglect or moral turpitude, provided ten years have elapsed following the conviction.

Exception: A person who wants to operate or to volunteer or work at a facility covered by this regulation, but who is disqualified because of a criminal conviction, or a criminal conviction in the background check of any other adult living in a family day home governed by this regulation may apply for a waiver if: 1) a non-barrier crime felony conviction occurred less than five years ago, or 2) any other adult living in the home of a state regulated family day home applicant or provider has been convicted of not more than one misdemeanor offense of assault and battery or assault and battery against a family or household member. This other adult may not be an assistant or substitute provider.

Barrier crime defined: “Barrier crime” means a conviction identified in the Code at §63.2-1719. The convictions, and Code references, are: murder or manslaughter as set out in Article 1 (§ 18.2-30 et seq.), malicious wounding by mob as set out in § 18.2-41, abduction as set out in subsection A of §18.2-47, abduction for immoral purposes as set out in § 18.2-48, assault and bodily woundings as set out in Article 4 (§ 18.2-51 et seq.), robbery as set out in § 18.2-58, carjacking as set out in § 18.2-58.1, extortion by threat as set out in § 18.2-59; felony stalking as set out in § 18.2-60.3, sexual assault as set out in Article 7 (§ 18.2-61 et seq.), arson as set out in Article 1 (§ 18.2-77 et seq.), burglary as set out in Article 2 (§ 18.2-89 et seq.), any felony violation relating to possession or distribution of drugs as set out in Article 1 (§ 18.2-247 et seq.), drive by shooting as set out in § 18.2-286.1, use of a machine gun in a crime of violence as set out in § 18.2-289, aggressive use of a machine gun as set out in § 18.2-290, use of a sawed-off shotgun in a crime of violence as set out in subsection A of § 18.2-300, pandering as set out in § 18.2-355, crimes against nature involving children as set out in § 18.2-361, incest as set out in § 18.2-366, taking indecent liberties with children as set out in § 18.2-370 or § 18.2-370.1, abuse and neglect of children as set out in § 18.2-371.1, failure to secure medical attention for an injured child as set out in § 18.2-314, obscenity offenses as set out in § 18.2-374.1, possession of child pornography as set out in § 18.2-374.1:1, electronic facilitation of pornography as set out in § 18.2-374.3, abuse and neglect of incapacitated adults as set out in § 18.2-369, employing or permitting a minor to assist in an act constituting an offense under Article 5 (§ 18.2-372 et seq.) as set out in § 18.2-379, delivery of drugs to prisoners as set out in § 18.2-474.1, escape from jail as set out in § 18.2-477, felonies by prisoners as set out in § 53.1-203; or an equivalent offense in another state.

Sex offense defined: “Sex offense felony for family day homes” means conviction of a felony in violation of §§ 18.2-48, 18.2-61, 18.2-63, 18.2-64.1, 18.2-67.1, 18.2-67.2, 18.2-67.3, 18.2-67.5, 18.2-355, 18.2-361, 18.2-366, 18.2-369, 18.2-370, 18.2-370.1, 18.2-371.1 or § 18.2-374.1, that prohibits a sex offender or child abuser from residing in a family day home. The description of the *Code* sections are abduction; actual or attempted rape; carnal knowledge of a child between thirteen and fifteen years of age; carnal knowledge of a juvenile under the purview of the Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court, or juvenile committed to the custody of the State Department of Juvenile Justice; actual or attempted forcible sodomy or object sexual penetration; aggravated sexual battery; attempted sexual battery; taking or detaining a person or consenting to the taking of a person for prostitution or unlawful sexual intercourse; crimes against nature; incest; abuse and neglect of incapacitated adults; taking indecent liberties with children; abuse and neglect of children; indecent liberties by a person in a custodial or supervisory relationship; and production, publication, sale, possession with intent to distribute, financing, etc. of sexually explicit items.