



Naíonra Chill Mhantáin accepts children from aged 2.5 – 5, who are potty trained. From time to time, we will accept a limited number of children who are not trained. This may be due to the fact that there is a medical reason for training to have not taken place, or if a child is trained, but has regressed in their training for a limited time (no longer than one month).

Nappy changing facilities have been provided to enable the staff to change a child in these circumstances, should they become soiled.

Each parent of an untrained child should be given a copy of the policy.

Parents must supply all nappies and any lotion they would like used. These should be stored in a separate compartment and labelled with the child's name, so as to ensure no items are incorrectly used.

All children must be asked or informed when it is time to change their nappy and change as required. No child is ever to be left in a soiled nappy.

Gloves must be worn by staff (however this does not negate the need for hand washing), along with disposable aprons, when changing a child. The changing mat should be covered with disposable paper to ensure hygiene standards are maintained. This must be disposed of and the surfaces cleaned after every use.

Staff must refer to their manual handling training to ensure they are lifting children in a safe and non-injurious fashion. They must engage positively with the child, at all times whilst nappy changing.

Soiled nappies must be double bagged and disposed of in the bin provided. This bin must be emptied daily.

The nappy changing table and all surfaces in that room must be cleaned with a bleach-based product after every use.

Wipes must be used when cleaning a child thoroughly.

Each child who is not trained should have a care plan, indicating if there is any brand of wipe that the child is allergic to.

Adult hands and children's hands must always be washed with anti-bacterial soap after each nappy has been changed with thorough and appropriate hand washing techniques.

Children are never left unattended during nappy changing. If required, another member of staff is always available to assist when nappy changing.

Each nappy change should be recorded in the daily book.

A cleaning schedule is in place to ensure the cleaning of the nappy area is done after every change.

Should a child be untrained for a prolonged period, and there be no medical reason for this, a parent may be asked to take their child out of Naíonra until they are trained.