

Nappy changing procedure (HS3)

- When changing children's nappies educators must be respectful of the child, giving them time in letting them know it is time to change the nappy. Educators need to ensure the facilities foster children's independence as appropriate and protect children's dignity and right to privacy.
- Nappy changing facilities should be located in an area of the home that is separate from food preparation or eating areas.
- Tamariki will be changed on individual changing mats where possible, or if only one changing mat is available, paper towels may be placed underneath the child and the mat wiped afterwards as soon as possible with a bleach/water solution, which is one part bleach and nine parts water. A towel does not meet the criteria.
- If using a change table, use the safety strap to ensure the child does not roll off, or keep one hand on the child at all times.
- Educators and tamariki will wash their hands after and between nappy changes.

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