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**Quantity of Allowed Shifts for a 24-Hour Day Care**

**Code:** 2018 Building Code  
**Section:** 305.2, 308.6 and 310.6

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**Question:**

What is the maximum number of shifts of care a Day Care Facility can provide per day?

**Answer:**

A State Licensed Day Care Facility (Residential Group R-3 and Group R-4, Education Group E and Institutional Group I-4) can operate a maximum of three (3) eight hour shifts for different clients of care per day.

An Unlicensed Day Care (Residential Group R-3 and Group R-4, Education Group E and Institutional Group I-4) can operate a maximum of Five (5) four hour shifts for different clients of care per day.

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