

Why are you doing the checklist?

The practices identified in the checklist are what the assessor needs to see you do so they can check you're 'meeting the NQS.' If there's something on the checklist that you're not doing, you need to adjust your practice to do it, or ask for help and training to implement it ie work with your educational/room leader who should teach/coach you how to do it. This process uses the **summative assessment process** from the **new EYLF and MTOP**. Educators review your achievements and capabilities at specified or selected timepoints. Please make a judgement about the path you are on to understanding the element.

The checklist keys to use.

E = Embedded I do that ALL the time

K = I know I need to do that, but I don't do it all the time

T = Please **teach** me how to do it or improve my understanding of why I need to do it.

Name Educator 1	
Name Educator 2	
Name Educator 3	
Name Educator 4	
Name Educator 5	

Cleaning	ED1	ED2	ED3	ED4	ED5
Are you familiar with all service cleaning procedures including those for the					
bathroom, toilet, nappy change areas, rooms, high chairs, toys, cots/					
stretchers/beds and sandpit?					
Do you diligently implement service cleaning schedules as					
rostered/required?					
Do you know how to properly clean up spills of blood or other body fluids?					
Maintenance					
Do you diligently complete daily safety checks of indoor and outdoor areas					
using a checklist when assigned this task?					
Do you complete risk assessments to remove or minimise risks in the					
environment, including for potentially dangerous equipment/furniture?					
Do you know and implement your centre's maintenance procedure when					
you find broken/damaged resources, premises or equipment?					
Do you immediately remove broken/damaged resources, premises or					
equipment, or make sure children can't access them?					
Do you follow safety advice from recognised authorities and manufacturers					
when arranging, securing or using equipment and furniture eg anchoring					
furniture and equipment?					



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- Under Work/Occupational Health and Safety laws, workers have obligations to follow safe practices and act in ways which do not endanger others. How might element 3.1.2 Upkeep be relevant in this context?
- Are there any areas, or pieces of furniture or equipment at the Service you think need to be cleaned or maintained more effectively? What will you do?
- The NQF Guide for element 3.1.2 says educators should follow safety advice from recognised authorities and manufacturers when arranging equipment, furniture and experiences? What's one example where you did this?

Critically reflect through	Write your critical reflection below	What changes did you or will you					
the eyes of:		make because of the reflection?					
	As a child, I may not be able to identify specific areas or equipment that need better cleaning or maintenance. However, I might notice when things look dirty or broken. If I see something like that, I would tell my educator or carer so they can take care of it and make our play areas safe and clean.	Implementing a Maintenance Checklist and Cleaning Schedule: We'll create a list of tasks and a timetable for cleaning and maintenance to ensure nothing is missed.					
a child		Encouraging Open Communication					
	As an educator, I constantly assess the learning environment. I've noticed that some pieces of equipment are showing signs of wear and tear, and certain areas could be cleaned more effectively. To address this, I will create a maintenance checklist and schedule regular cleaning routines. I will also involve children in simple cleaning tasks to	with Families Regarding Cleanliness and Maintenance: We'll actively listen to parents' concerns and create ways for them to share feedback about cleanliness and maintenance.					
an educator	promote responsibility and hygiene.	Involving Children in Age-					
	Families may visit our service and notice cleanliness and maintenance issues. It's important to listen to their feedback and concerns. To address this, we will encourage open communication with families and promptly address any issues they raise. We will also share our cleaning and maintenance plans with them to ensure transparency and collaboration.	Appropriate Cleaning Activities: Children will participate in fun and educational cleaning tasks suitable for their age to teach responsibility and care for their environment. Incorporating Best Practices from					
your families		Educational Theorists and Research					
theorist and current research	Drawing from educational theorists and current research, it is evident that a well-maintained and clean learning environment is crucial for children's well-being and development. Researchers emphasise the importance of regular assessments and involving children in the care of their environment. Based on this, we will incorporate best practices, such as cleaning schedules, equipment maintenance, and involving children in cleaning activities, into our curriculum and planning to create a safe and nurturing environment.	into Curriculum and Planning: We'll follow expert recommendations in early childhood education to create a stimulating and safe learning environment and involve children in maintaining it.					

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an educator		
your families		
theorist and		
current research		

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