



YOUTH SUPERVISION GUIDELINES

Note: The following guidelines are recommended by the Robins Family Advocacy Committee and approved by the 78th Air Base Wing Commander. The ages specified are suggested minimum ages and are based on the child's ability to demonstrate age-appropriate behavior. Children who do not consistently demonstrate age-appropriate behavior should not be given the same degree of self-management responsibilities. If parents have questions regarding this policy, they may contact the Family Advocacy Office at 327-8398 or the Youth Center Director at 926-2110.

Age of Child	Left Without Sitter in Quarters for 2 Hours or less	Left without sitter in Quarters for more than 2 hours	Outside unattended to include bike riding	Left in car Unattended	Baby-sit Siblings	Baby-sit other Children
Newborn through Age 4	No	No	No	No	No	No
Age 5 through Age 8	No	No; Except may walk to and from school/Youth Center with training from parents.	Yes; Playground or yard with immediate access ¹ to an adult to assist. May go to and from school alone.	No	No	No
Age 9 through Age 12	Yes; if capable of self-care with ready-access to an adult. ^{2&3}	No	Yes	Yes; Keys must be removed from vehicle	Yes ⁴ ; Responsible 12 y/o with babysitting class.	No
Age 13 through High School Graduation	Yes	Up to 12 hours	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes ⁴

¹ Immediate access is defined as: the adult has visual sight of the child and is within easy hearing distance. It is recommended that the adult provides visual checks on child every 15 to 30 minutes.

² Self-care: completes tasks, follows instructions, communicates problems to parents, uses good judgment, and wants to be home alone. The child must know personal safety including handling phone calls, strangers at the door, personal body safety, and etc. child must know the house rules.

³ Must have home-alone training provided in the school setting.

⁴ Red Cross baby-sitting training or equivalent is recommended.