

## FOSTER CARE VARIANCE REQUEST

**A variance is an authorized deviation from the specifics of a Rule.** (per R501-1-7)  
 Foster Care Rule R501-12 updated rule located here: <https://rules.utah.gov/publicat/code/r501/r501-12.htm>

- A. Division of Licensing and Background Checks may grant a variance if it is in the best interest of the child and maintains basic health and safety requirements.
- B. The foster parent must submit a written request, describing the method of fulfilling the intent of the Rules to maintain the health and safety of the child.
- C. **Written notification of approval or denial shall be given to the foster parent within 30 days.**

Primary Provider Name:	
Provider Address:	
Provider Phone:	Provider Email:
Names and ages of children to be placed by this variance:	
Cite the Specific Rule, and describe the variance being requested:	

### INFORMATION

<b>1.</b>	<b>If request of overfill per R501-12-5(7)(i), please answer the following:</b> Number of foster children currently in the home: _____ Number of biological children currently in the home: _____ Number of children requested by this variance: _____ Total number of children living in the home as a result of this variance: _____  Number of children the home is currently licensed for _____
<b>2.</b>	<b>How long will this variance be needed?</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Why is this variance in the best interests of the child?</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>How will the child's health and safety be maintained?</b>
<b>TO BE COMPLETED BY THE CASEWORKER</b>	
<b>5.</b>	<b>Why has this foster home been selected over another placement?</b>

6. What efforts have been made to find another home that meets the licensing standards?

7. Have there been any concerns in the past about this foster home? If so, describe concerns.

**ADDITIONAL COMMENTS**

**SIGNATURES**

Primary Foster Parent:	Spouse (if applicable):
DCFS Caseworker:	Date of Request:
DCFS RFC:	Effective Date of Variance _____ to _____ .
Licensors:	Licensing Supervisor:

*Approval/Disapproval/Outcome Date will be sent via email to the email on the foster family's record.*