Child Development Permit Matrix - with Alternative Qualification Options Indicated					
Permit Title	Education Requirement (Option 1 for all permits)	Experience Requirement (Applies to Option 1 Only)	Alternative Qualifications (with option numbers indicated)	Authorization	Five Year Renewal
Assistant (Optional)	Option 1:6 units of Early Childhood Education (ECE) or Child Development (CD)	None	Option 2: Accredited HERO program (including ROP)	Assist in the care, development and instruction of childrenin a child care and development program under the supervision of an Associate Teacher or above.	105 hours of professional growth*****
Associate Teacher	Option 1:12 units ECE/CD including core courses**	50 days of 3+ hours per day within 2 years	Option 2: Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential. CDA Credential must be earned in California	May provide service in the care, development and instruction of children in a child care and development program; and supervise an Assistant Permit holder and an Aide.	Must complete 15 additional units toward a Teacher Permit. Must meet Teacher requirements within 10 years.
Teacher	Option 1:24 units ECE/CD including core courses** plus 16 General Education (GE) units*		Option 2: AA or higher in ECE/CD or related field with 3 units supervised field experience in ECE/CD setting	May provide service in the care, development and instruction of children in a child care and development program, and supervise all above.	105 hours of professional growth****
Master Teacher	Option 1:24 units ECE/CD including core courses** plus 16 GE units* plus 6 specialization units plus 2 adult supervision units	350 days of 3+ hours per day within 4 years	Option 2: BA or higher (does not have to be in ECE/CD) with 12 units of ECE/CD, <u>plus</u> 3 units supervised field experience in ECE/CD setting	May provide service in the care, development and instruction of children in a child care and development program, and supervise all above. Also may serve as a coordinator of curriculum and staff development in a child care & development program.	105 hours of professional growth*****
Site Supervisor	Option 1:AA (or 60 units) which includes: • 24 ECE/CD units with core courses** • 16 GE units* • 6 administration units • 2 adult supervision units	350 days of 3+ hours per day within 4 years including at least 100 days of supervising adults	Option 2:BA or higher (does not have to be in ECE/CD) with 12 units of ECE/CD, plus 3 units supervised field experience in ECE/CD setting; or Option 3:Admin. credential *** with 12 units of ECE/CD, plus 3 units supervised field experience in ECE/CD setting; or Option 4: Teaching credential *** with 12 units of ECE/CD, plus 3 units supervised field experience in ECE/CD setting; or Option 4: Teaching credential **** with 12 units of ECE/CD, plus 3 units supervised field experience in ECE/CD setting	May supervise a child care and development program operating at a single site; provide service in the care, development and instruction of children in a child care and development program; and serve as coordinator of curriculum and staff development.	105 hours of professional growth*****
Program Director	Option 1:BA or higher (does not have to be in ECE/CD) including: • 24 ECE/CD units with core courses** • 6 administration units • 2 adult supervision units	Site Supervisor status and one program year of Site Supervisor experience	Option 2: Admin. credential *** with 12 units of ECE/CD, <u>plus</u> 3 units supervised field experience in ECE/CD setting; <u>or</u> Option 3: Teaching credential **** with 12 units of ECE/CD, <u>plus</u> 3 units supervised field experience in ECE/CD setting, <u>plus</u> 6 units administration; <u>or</u> Option 4: Master's Degree in ECE/CD or Child/Human Development	May supervise a child care and development program operated in a single site or multiple-sites; provide service in the care, development and instruction of children in a child care and development program; and serve as coordinator of curriculum and staff development.	105 hours of professional growth*****

NOTE: All unit requirements listed above are semester units. All course work must be completed with a grade of C or better from a regionally accredited college. Spanish translation of matrix available.

^{*}One course in each of four general education categories, which are degree applicable: English/Language Arts; Math or Science; Social Sciences; Humanities and/or Fine Arts.

^{**}Core courses include child/human growth & development; child/family/community or child and family relations; and programs/curriculum. You must have a minimum of three semester units or four quarter units in the core areas of child/human growth & development and child/family/community.

^{***}Holders of the Administrative Services Credential may serve as a Site Supervisor or Program Director.

^{****}A valid Multiple Subject or a Single Subject in Home Economics.

^{*****}Professional growth hours must be completed under the guidance of a Professional Growth Advisor. Call (209) 572-6085 for assistance in locating an advisor.