

Information for parents

Play groups: cost reduction for families

Play groups are important places for early child development. The city of Berne offers financial assistance to families on a tight budget, so that their children may attend a play group.

The amount of the financial contribution depends on the rights to health insurance and premium reduction.

Requirements for a financial assistance at a play group are:

- Your child has already attended the play group twice a week or will be attending it with the financial contribution twice a week
- You live in the city of Berne
- You do not live on social security (in that case social services pay the fees for the play group)
- You receive an insurance and premium reduction in the amount of Fr. 221.00 / Fr. 147.00 / Fr. 107.00 or Fr. 67.00 per month. You have obtained a confirmation from the social security office on this issue (see separate example)
- The play group is member of the FKS (Fach- und Kontaktstelle Spielgruppen = office and contact point for play groups)

What you need to do to apply for a reduction

- Ask the play group administration for the application form
- Fill it in and
- Send it together with a copy of the letter from the social security office of the canton of Berne to the following address:

FKS Spielgruppen Kanton Bern, Kontaktstelle Stadt Bern
Rossfeldstr. 29
3004 Bern

The office and contact point for play groups (FKS) will examine your application and then let you know whether you receive a financial assistance and how much. As soon as your application has been granted, the play group will charge you the reduced fee.

For any further questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

FKS Spielgruppen Kanton Bern, Kontaktstelle Stadt Bern

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