



Department of education- and
public health of Hafnarfjörður

Leisure centres 2020 - 2021

Registration opens may 7.

How do I register my child?

Registration is done electronically through the site: "Mínar síður" (My pages) at www.hafnarfjordur.is under the heading: umsóknir -frístundaheimili (applications - children's leisure centres). Applications received prior to 15 June will be given priority in the admissions process, applications received later may be placed on a waiting list and will not be processed until August.

How do I know if my child got accepted?

When a child is offered placement at a children's leisure centre the parents will receive an invitation for placement sent to the email-address that was provided. The parents must respond to, and accept this email within three days of receiving the email. If the email with the offer for placement is not accepted the placement will not be activated. If this time limit expires you need to contact the children's leisure centre in question and get assistance.

Important Information!

During the application process it is important that all information is correct and that special needs are recorded. It is necessary to check if the contact information is correct and sometimes you will need to add an additional contact person if the child lives in two homes.

Parents will be able to select the number of placement days they are paying for the child. Afternoon refreshments are included in the fee. The rates are shown on the Hafnarfjörður website and you pay the rate per one whole day and not per hour, irrespective of whether the child stays until 16:00 (4pm) or 17:00 (5pm) at the leisure centre.

It is important to state if the child is in need of support.

About children's leisure centres

Children's leisure centres are intended for children in 1-4 grade and are operated in all elementary schools in Hafnarfjörður. The purpose of children's leisure centres is to offer a variety of after school recreational activities for the pupils. The activities are based on optional choices by the pupils, group work, workshops and outdoor activities. Early afternoon refreshments are also included. Rides in a leisure time activities car are offered to children in 1-4 grade and this car will be driving the children to exercise classes in those clubs that have entered into contracts for leisure time activities rides. The leisure time activities car will at all times have a staff member present who looks after safety in the car and who makes sure that the children exit the car at the right location. Parents need to register their children specifically for the leisure time activities car through the registration system "Vala". The objective of children's leisure centres is that each child feels comfortable and gets to develop in an environment that is characterised by friendliness, security and respect.



Assistance and information

If parents/guardians need assistance for logging-in or signing-up, or for using "Mínar síður" (My pages) they need to call the town service centre phone number 5855500 or go to web chat at hafnarfjordur.is. It needs to be stated that if for some reason the positions at the children's leisure time activities centres have not been fully staffed when the activities commence in the autumn there may be some delay in the child beginning to attend the relevant children's leisure time centre. We remind you that children who are starting school for the first time have priority with respect to placement in the children's leisure centre if you apply prior to 15 June. Children who need support at the children's leisure centre will receive placement as soon as a support representative has been hired for the relevant child. In order to get further information about the activities at children's leisure centres go to the directory for children's leisure centres on the Hafnarfjörður website.

Registration for summer leisure starts may 13.

There is a selection of diverse and wholesome play courses on offer for the graduating groups at the pre-schools / kindergartens in all children's leisure centres. The courses are held from 6 until 24 August, namely from when the summer closure of the play-schools / kindergartens ends and until the elementary schools start their formal operations.

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Cancelling and changing the contract

In order to cancel the contract for the spring semester you must notify the head of department for the relevant children's leisure centre prior to 15 December, otherwise the application will be automatically extended as of and including the month of June. If parents wish to make changes to a current registration prior to the autumn semester it can be done during the period from 1 September until 15 September and the changes will take effect on 1 October. Regarding changes to the spring semester it will be possible to make changes from 1 January until 15 January and the changes will take effect on 1 February. Further information can be found at <http://www.hafnarfjordur.is/ibuar/skolar-og-born/fristundaheimili/>