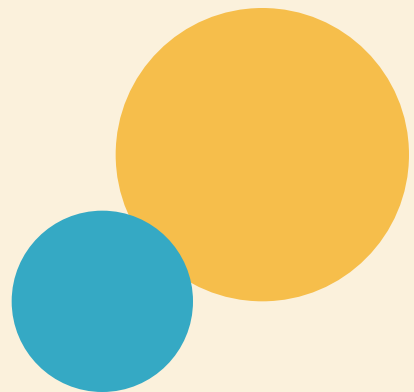


EVERYDAY HOMESCHOOL GUIDE

# State Requirements Made Easy

A plain-English overview of forms, notifications, and recordkeeping — minus the legal jargon.



## How homeschool rules usually work

Requirements are set at the state level and typically fall into four buckets. Once you know which buckets apply to you, compliance is usually a short annual task rather than an ongoing burden.

| Bucket            | What it usually means                          |
|-------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| Notification      | A letter or online form filed once a year      |
| Attendance / days | Tracking days or hours of instruction          |
| Subjects          | A required list such as math, reading, science |
| Assessment        | A test, portfolio review, or progress report   |

### Verify before you file

Rules change. Always confirm the current requirement on your state department of education website, or with your state homeschool organization, before submitting anything.

## Your compliance checklist

- ☐ Find your state's homeschool statute page and bookmark it.
- ☐ Note the notification deadline on your calendar with a two-week reminder.
- ☐ Save a PDF copy of everything you submit, plus the date you sent it.
- ☐ Log attendance days in one place all year — a simple grid is enough.
- ☐ Keep 3-5 work samples per subject, per quarter, in a labeled folder.
- ☐ Note any required assessment window and how you will meet it.
- ☐ Re-check requirements each summer before the new year starts.

## Records worth keeping (even if not required)

- Attendance log with the days you counted as instruction.
- A list of resources and curriculum used per subject.
- Dated work samples showing growth over time.
- Reading list and field trip / activity log.
- Any test results, evaluations, or progress summaries.

## My state notes

**Deadline, forms needed, where I filed, date submitted**

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