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# Summary table: Special needs and safety risks

Operational standards and indicators on the reception conditions of unaccompanied minors			
Chapter	Subchapter	Standard	Indicators
<b>2.1</b> Assessment and response to special needs and risks	2.1 Special needs	<b>7.</b> Ensure an initial procedure is in place to identify and assess special needs for unaccompanied children.	<b>7.1</b> A standardised mechanism/procedure to systematically identify and assess special needs for unaccompanied children is in place. <b>7.2</b> The mechanism clearly prescribes who is responsible for the identification and assessment of special needs. <b>7.3</b> The mechanism clearly prescribes how the identification and the assessment of the needs are recorded and communicated to the unaccompanied child and to relevant actors.

8. Ensure that the mechanism/procedure for identification and assessment of special needs is effectively applied as soon as possible after arrival.

**8.1**  
Sufficient resources are allocated to systematically identify and assess the special needs of each unaccompanied child.

**8.2** The initial identification and assessment of obvious vulnerability to allocate special needs is conducted during the reception intake on the first day upon arrival, at the latest within 24 hours.

**8.3**  
Special needs that become apparent at a later stage are adequately

**9.** Ensure that identified special needs are addressed in a timely manner.

**9.1** Adequate action is taken to respond to the identified and assessed special needs. The urgency of the response will depend on the identified need.

**9.2** In case special needs have been identified, there is a mechanism in place to ensure their regular monitoring.

**2.2. Risk assessment**

**10.** Ensure that staff working with unaccompanied children in a reception facility identify early safety and wellbeing risks for children.

**10.1** A standard risk assessment to identify the safety risks around unaccompanied children is in place.

**10.2** Safety risks of unaccompanied children are assessed in the first week upon arrival and this is repeated regularly at least every 6 months.

**10.3** Safety risks are systematically assessed.

**10.4** The outcome of the risk assessment is discussed in a multidisciplinary context.

**11.** Child reception staff ensures the reduction of safety risks to an absolute minimum.

**11.1** The necessary care and appropriate reception facility based on the risk assessment is provided within a week after arrival.

**11.2** Immediate action in acutely unsafe situations is taken by the reception authorities in order to eliminate the unsafe situation.

**11.3** Reception facilities have an alert instrument and ensure the systematic reporting and immediate response of missing unaccompanied children.

<p><b>12.</b> Ensure knowledge is provided to unaccompanied children on the subject of (de) radicalisation and that staff share signals related to the (potential) radicalisation of unaccompanied children with responsible authorities.</p>	<p><b>12.1</b> The subject of radicalisation is discussed with unaccompanied children where necessary by staff working with unaccompanied children.</p> <p><b>12.2</b> Reception facilities have an alert instrument in order to report signals of radicalisation to the responsible persons and authorities.</p>
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