

Early Childhood Education Directorate

Convictions and Significant Enforcement Actions

Approved Provider	Green Leaves (NSW5) Early Learning Centres Pty Ltd
Service Name	Green Leaves Early Learning Port Macquarie
Type of Service	Centre based education and care service
Action Taken	<p>Prosecution action against Green Leaves (NSW5) Early Learning Centres Pty Ltd for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • one offence of failing to ensure that every reasonable precaution was taken to protect children from harm and from any hazard likely to cause injury – section 167(1) of the <i>Children (Education and Care Services) National Law (NSW)</i>.
Date of conviction	18 February 2021
Sentence	Convicted and fined \$3,750.

Proven offence:

Green Leaves (NSW5) Early Learning Centres Pty Ltd failed to take the following reasonable precautions to protect the child from harm and from a hazard likely to cause injury:

- conducted a risk assessment regarding the use of the bottle warmer;
- implemented in its written policies a requirement that staff are not to take children into the Prep Area;
- installed signage to remind staff not to take children into the Prep Area; and
- installed signage to alert and remind staff of the hazards associated with the bottle warmer.