MAIN INFORMATIONS AND FAQ:

WHEN AND HOW WILL IT BE POSSIBLE TO SUBMIT THE APPLICATION?

The call for families will be approved in April; the call will indicate the deadlines for submitting the application exclusively by accessing the dedicated regional application available on the Tuscany Region website:

www.regione.toscana.it/nidigratis

WHAT DOES IT NEED TO SUBMIT THE APPLICATION AND HOW CAN I DO IT?

First of all, the tax codes of the person applying and of the child will be necessary.

The Electronic Identity Card (CIE) or the public digital identity system (level 2 SPID), or the National Services Card (CNS).

Using these credentials you can apply exclusively online on the regional website available for this purpose.

You will also need to have:

- a mobile number and an email address which will be used exclusively for any communications;
- a valid and correctly certified ISEE for minors on the date of submission of the application. The correct attestation is also demonstrated by the absence of omissions and discrepancies, also with reference to the correspondence between the registry unit available in the municipal offices with that declared in the DSU relating to the ISEE, where detected. The presentation of the DSU is not sufficient, but the correct certification is necessary.

Registration and actual availability of a place in the accredited municipal or private service located in a municipality in the Tuscany region will also be necessary; in the case of municipal services, the application submitted for access to them corresponds to a registration and only the service for which the place has been assigned must be indicated in the application.

WHO SHOULD ASK THE APPLICATION?

Who submitted an application for the INPS nursery bonus. There must also be correspondence between the person who applied for the regional contribution Nidi gratis and the header of the invoices/tariffs.

WHAT REQUIREMENTS MUST CHILDREN WHO ATTEND THE SERVICES MUST HAVE?

They must be residents of a municipality in Tuscany; this requirement must be met at the time of submitting the application.

They must be up to 3 years old. The contribution is also recognized after reaching the age of 3 in the case of boys and girls who:

- continue to attend the early childhood service until July 2026;
- for reasons of certified fragility, they continue to use the service.

WHICH MONTHLY WILL THE REGIONAL CONTRIBUTION BE ASSIGNED?

From september 2025 to July 2026 (1/9/2025-31/7/2026).

WHICH SERVICES CAN AN APPLICATION BE SUBMITTED?

For nursery schools, play spaces and educational services in home settings which was approved by the Tuscany Region in May 2024 with subsequent modifications.

In the case of private services, they must be "accredited" by the Municipality where they are located.

However, those submitting the application must check whether the service guarantees the application of discounts for all available places; the information is made available to the Municipality where the service is based.

<u>IS REGISTRATION TO THE SERVICE AUTOMATIC UPON SUBMITTING THE APPLICATION FOR NIDI GRATIS?</u>

Procedures relating to enrollment in the municipal or private nursery and the related timing are not linked to the application for the regional contribution.

WHEN WILL I KNOW IF I HAVE GOT THE CONTRIBUTION?

In august 2025.

The application process can be verified via the regional application and upon completion also on the specific page of the regional website.

IF I MEET ALL THE REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED BY THE REGION WILL I STILL HAVE THE REGIONAL CONTRIBUTION?

The regional tender has 40 million euros available. If the requests for contributions exceed this amount, the Region will approve a ranking based on the conditions set out in the notice for families.

HOW DOES THE REGIONAL CONTRIBUTION WORK?

The regional contribution is a discount that is recognized by the owner of the service (Municipality or accredited private service).

ARE REGIONAL CONTRIBUTION AND INPS BONUS THE SAME THING?

No. To get both contributions (regional and INPS) you need to ask 2 applications.

The regional contribution works through a discount on the fee (the family therefore does not pay the assigned discount), the INPS bonus works through reimbursement, so the family must first pay and then request a refund from INPS.

The INPS contribution varies based on the ISEE minors:

- from 0 to € 25,000.00: usually up to a maximum of € 272.73 per month for 11 months; for those born on or after 1 January 2024, in the case of families with an ISEE value falling within this range, INPS will recognize a bonus of up to a maximum of € 327.27;
- from € 25,000.01 to 35,000.00: usually up to a maximum of € 227.27 per month for 11 months; for those born on or after 1 January 2024, in the case of families with an ISEE value falling within this range, INPS will recognize a bonus of up to a maximum of € 327.27.

The regional contribution is assigned only if the fee exceeds the amounts indicated above. If the fee is lower than these amounts, you only need to request a refund from INPS and it is not necessary to also apply to the Region.

WHAT IS THE MAXIMUM ISEE LIMIT TO BE BENEFICIARY OF REGIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS?

35,000 euros. Over 35,000 it is not possible to benefit from the contributions of this announcement. A discussion is currently underway with the European Commission aimed at integrating the measure and thus giving the possibility of access also to families with ISEE up to 40,000 euros.

WHAT IS THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF THE REGIONAL CONTRIBUTION?

The amount of the discount for each boy and girl is up to a maximum of €527.27 for each month, for a maximum of 11 months.

The maximum fee which the discount can be applied for is 800 euros.

WHAT HAPPENS IF THE FEE IS GREATER THAN 800 EUROS?

The sum greater than 800 euros must be paid by the families.

DO THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS REQUESTED BY THE SERVICE HOLDER (REGISTRATION, PRE-REGISTERATION, CANTEEN, DIAPERS, ETC.) ARE PART OF THE DISCOUNT?

No, they are paid by the families, unless they are included in the fee.

WHAT ARE THE FAMILY'S REQUIREMENTS TO HAVE THE REGIONAL CONTRIBUTION IN THE CASE OF PRIVATE SERVICES?

The same as those of municipal services.

CAN I ENROLL MY DAUGHTER IN A NURSERY THAT IS LOCATED IN A MUNICIPALITY DIFFERENT THAN MY RESIDENCE?

Yes, if the municipality where the new nursery is located is in Tuscany.

ARE THERE ANY FURTHER CONDITIONS TO BENEFIT FROM REGIONAL DISCOUNTS? Children must attend at least 5 days every month.

In the case of a number of presences for each month of less than 5 days, it is possible to maintain the contribution if:

- 1) absences are demonstrated by a medical certificate certifying the actual period of absence for illness (maximum 2 months even if not continuous);
- 2) the absences are due to an emergency room report, hospital admission, day hospital or necessary for carrying out life-saving, oncological or rehabilitative therapies and days of absence caused by the side effects of such therapies (maximum 4 months even if not continuous).
- 3) these are absences of all boys and girls in possession of the certificate referred to in law 104/1992 or of disability, without the obligation to justify (maximum 4 months even if not continuous). In the case of absences attributable to the reasons referred to in points 1) and 2) for the same child, the maximum number of months that can be recognized is 4.

The recognition of the contribution is in any case conditional on the minor's continued registration with the service.

<u>CAN THE CONTRIBUTION INCREASE IF I DECIDE TO INCREASE THE HOURS OF</u> FREQUENCY OF THE SERVICE DURING THE YEAR?

No, the regional contribution assigned cannot be increased under any circumstances.

WHAT HAPPENS IF MY ISEE BECOMES GREATER THAN 35,000 EUROS AFTER SEPTEMBER OR IN 2026?

The contribution is maintained until July 2026.

WHAT HAPPENS IF MY ISEE CHANGES AFTER SEPTEMBER OR IN 2026 AND CONSEQUENTLY THE FEE INCREASES OR DECREASES?

The regional contribution remains the same when there is an increase in fee; this increase is paid by families.

In the case of a reduction in the fee, the regional contribution decreases by the same amount.

WHAT HAPPENS IF I AM NOT ABLE TO APPLY IN JUNE FOR EXAMPLE IF I GET THE PLACE AFTER THE DEADLINE SPECIFIED BY THE REGION OR MY CHILD IS BORN IN SEPTEMBER 2025?

If there are any resources left, the Region will reopen the call for proposals to allow new applications to be submitted.

WILL MY CHILD'S IDENTIFICATION DATA BE VISIBLE ON REGIONAL DOCUMENTS?

No, only the application identification code will be visible, visible on the regional application at the time of completing the application submission.