

2014 Playground Survey



Playground Name: _____

Location: _____

Surveyed By: _____

Survey Date: _____

Signage	Yes	No
Are signs posted regarding age limits of children that are allowed on play structures?		
Are signs posted regarding adults needing to be accompanied by a child?		
Are "No Smoking" signs posted in the playground area?		
Are "No dogs" signs posted in the playground area?		
Are signs legible, free of graffiti, and properly installed in visible locations?		

Fencing & Gates	Yes	No	n/a
Are fencing & gates functional, free of protrusions, and free of holes/passages?			

Ground Surface	Yes	No	n/a
Is sand loose (not compacted)?			
Is sand at least 12 inches deep?			
Is 100% of the rubber surface present and adjacent rubber surfaces do not exceed 1/4 inch of vertical elevation difference, creating a tripping hazard?			
Is rubber surface free of holes, worn down areas, and uplifted edges?			
Is rubber surface free of mold and moss?			
Does ground surfacing materials cover concrete footings, anchoring devices, roots, and other protrusions from the ground to avoid a tripping hazard?			

Cleanliness	Yes	No	n/a
Is play area free of litter, debris, and weeds and is sandbox free of all foreign debris? (No if more than 10 pieces of litter/debris, lightly scattered are visible in a 25 x 25 foot area or along a 100 foot line. Leaves do not count as debris. Standard is not met if needles, condoms, broken glass, or feces are present.)			
Is rubber surface free of sand?			

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Equipment	Yes	No	n/a
Does all equipment have a fall zone that extends at least 6 feet in all directions from the perimeter of the equipment?			
Is all play equipment (excluding swing seats) free of broken or damaged parts?			
Are swing seats in good condition, free of wear, sharp edges, cracking or splitting?			
Are all swing chain "S" hooks closed?			
Are equipment chains and cables secure and not worn more than 75%?			
Is the play equipment free of corrosion, rotting, or metal fatigue? <i>points.</i>			
Is the play equipment free of any sharp or rough points, corners, or edges?			
Are all pipe ends covered with undamaged protective caps or plugs that cannot be removed without the use of additional tools?			
Is the play equipment free of any exposed moving parts or other junctures that create dangerous pinch or crush points?			
Is the play equipment free of any gaps greater than 3.5 inches and less than 9 inches wide (which would be head entrapment hazards)?			
Is all play equipment securely anchored to the ground?			
Are all play equipment and climbing apparatus posts, platforms, and steps level and upright, without any signs of tilting or sinking?			
Are all handles and rungs on play equipment securely fastened or welded and not worn more than 75%?			
Are all raised platforms surrounded by a secure guardrail or protective barrier?			
Are all nuts, bolts, fastening devices, welds, clamps, & connections secure?			
Is all play equipment generally smooth and free of large splinters?			
Are painted structures free of peeling or chipped paint?			

Additional Information	Yes
Are there any parts missing from equipment? <i>If yes, list missing parts in the "Other" section</i>	
Does the layout of the play equipment allow for easy supervision of children from outside or around the equipment?	
Is the play area and its equipment free of graffiti?	
Other (list any additional information that you feel wasn't captured in this survey):	