



# Playground Safety Check

Although adult supervision is the best way to prevent playground injuries, regular safety checks can significantly decrease the risks to children. Evaluate your playground using the following criteria.

## SUPERVISION

YES NO



- Can children be easily viewed on equipment?  YES  NO
- Can children be viewed in crawl spaces?  YES  NO
- Are playground rules regarding expected behavior posted?  YES  NO



If you answered NO to any of the starred questions, there is an increased risk of life-threatening injuries. Consult a playground specialist.

## DESIGN

YES NO

- Are there separate areas for ages 2-5 and 5-12?  YES  NO 
- Do platforms have appropriate guardrails?  YES  NO 
- Do platforms allow change of direction to get on/off structure?  YES  NO
- Is there signage that indicates the age group to be served?  YES  NO
- Does the design prevent climbing on the outside of the structure?  YES  NO
- Do supporting structures prevent climbing?  YES  NO

### Does Your Playground Make The Grade?

**A**

If you answered NO to 4 or less questions, congratulations! Continue regular safety checks and maintenance.

**B**

If you answered NO to 5-7 questions, your playground has some room for improvement. Use your answers as a checklist for needed repairs.

**C**

If you answered NO to 8-11 questions, there is potential for injury to children. Use your answers as a checklist for needed repairs and consult a playground specialist as needed.

**D**






If you answered NO to 12-16 questions, children are at risk of potentially life-threatening injuries. Consult a playground specialist and take immediate corrective measures.

**F**

If you answered NO to 17 or more questions, you should not allow children to use the equipment until changes have been made. Contact a playground specialist.





## SAFETY SURFACING

YES NO

- Is the height of all equipment 8 feet or lower?  YES  NO 
- Is there suitable safety surfacing material?  YES  NO 
- Is there an appropriate depth of safety surfacing material?  YES  NO 
- Does the safety surfacing material extend 6 feet in all directions?  YES  NO 
- Are all concrete footings completely covered?  YES  NO 
- Are all surfaces free of foreign objects, debris, and trash?  YES  NO

## MAINTENANCE

YES NO

- Is equipment free of noticeable gaps?  YES  NO 
- Is equipment free of head entrapments?  YES  NO 
- Is equipment free of broken parts?  YES  NO 
- Is equipment free of missing parts?  YES  NO 
- Is equipment free of protruding bolts?  YES  NO
- Is equipment free of rust?  YES  NO
- Is equipment free of splinters?  YES  NO
- Is equipment free of cracks and holes?  YES  NO

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