

INSPECTION CHECKLIST FOR PLAYGROUNDS

Each playground or recreation area is to be inspected periodically and the following checklist completed and submitted to the principal.

SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_ INSPECTOR \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PLAYGROUND AREA

- Free of litter, debris, poison ivy, etc.
- Free of tripping hazards, sharp objects, loose stones, non-playground paraphernalia
- Free of ice, puddles, oil, or other slippery material
- Free of graffiti, non-school banners, and posters
- Separated from vehicular traffic by fencing or walls
- No holes, cracks, or deterioration in fencing or walls
- Surfaces are energy-absorbent, at least 6" deep, and level under equipment
- Running-activity areas located at least 25' from equipment
- Equipment for young children separated from equipment for older students

EQUIPMENT

- All screws, bolts, and other fastenings are in place, secure, undamaged, rust-free, ends unexposed or covered
- All footers and anchors are in place, covered, secured, undamaged
- All supports are in place, secure, undamaged, rust-free
- All chains are in place, secure, undamaged, rust-free
- All "S" hooks are in place, closed tight, undamaged, rust-free
- All slides and crawl spaces secure, undamaged, free of rust/dirt/foreign matter
- All equipment seats, bars, and rings are in place, secure, undamaged, fully painted or treated
- Equipment height is no more than 10' from surface
- All equipment is located at least 6' from fences, walls, walkways, trees, etc.
- All equipment is functioning as intended
- Nonplayground equipment/facilities clean, functioning as intended, and undamaged

Comments:

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