

SCHOOL SAFETY PLAYGROUND INSPECTION CHECKLIST

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Problem Area	Yes	No	Location	Corrective Action
Visible cracks, bending, warping, rusting, or breakage of any compartment.				
Deformities of open hooks, shackles, rings, links, etc.				
Worn swing hangers and chairs				
Missing, damaged, or loose swing seats; heavy seats with sharp edges or corners				
All "S" hooks are completely closed				
Broken supports/anchors				
Footings exposed, cracked, or loose in the ground				
Accessible sharp edges or points				
Exposed ends of tubing that should be covered by plugs or caps				
Protruding bolt ends that do not have a smooth finished cap or cover				
Loose or missing hardware, bolts, nuts, etc.				
Splintered, cracked, or otherwise deteriorated wood				
Lack of lubrication on moving parts				
Worn bearings				
Broken or missing rails, steps, rungs, or seats				

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PLAYGROUND INSPECTION CHECKLIST (cont'd)

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Problem Area	Yes	No	Location	Corrective Action
Surfacing material is thinning underneath equipment				
Surfacing material in 6' use zone is thinning				
Visible concrete footings around equipment				
Chipped or peeling paint				
Vandalism (broken glass, trash, etc.)				
Pinch or crush points (exposed mechanisms, junctures of moving components)				
Tripping hazards (rocks, holes, etc.)				
Adequate drainage—no standing water				
Signs posted stating, "Adult Supervision Required"				
Signs posted stating age appropriateness of equipment				
Chains kinked, twisted, rusted, or broken				
All handrail and guardrails secure				
Other				
Inspected by:				
Date Inspected:				