



PLAYGROUND INSPECTION CHECKLIST

Playground Location: _____

Inspector: _____ Date: _____

ORGANIZATION	Y/N/N-A	COMMENTS
Easy access between equipment		
Layout designed to keep moving equipment (such as swings, seesaws, merry-go-rounds) adequately separated from other equipment		
Slides exiting outward		
Buffer Zones obstacle-free		
No interfering adjacent activity		
Warning labels and age signage present		
Clear visibility-adequate sight lines		

EQUIPMENT - GENERAL	Y/N/N-A	COMMENTS
Equipment appropriate for age group		
Preschool equipment separate		
Fall zones correct size for equipment		
Fall zones free of obstacles/adequately surfaced		
No-encroachment zones adequate for activities		
No entrapment hazards		
No rotted or splintering boards		
No loose nails, screws or bolts		
No sharp edges or protrusions		
Bolts ends two threads or less, rounded		
Chains and ropes in good condition		
Cables/ropes are anchored and not unraveled		
No rusting, bending or warping parts seen		
Railing, treads and handrails in place		
No worn bearings		
Moving components are in good condition, secure and properly lubricated		
No unstable or loose parts or equipment		
No chipping paint		
PVC coatings are not peeling and in good condition		
Plastic components are free of cracks		
Unsuitable or damaged equipment removed		
All "S" hooks are properly installed		
All slides are straight and smooth		
Swing swivels, hooks, hangers and chains in good condition		



All swing seats are flexible type, not hard metal or wood, and in good condition		
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SURFACES	Y/N/N-A	COMMENTS
Adequate, even depth provided		
Heavy use areas properly covered		
No tripping hazards		
There are no exposed footings or loose borders/curbs		
All unitary surfaces are intact, free from trip hazards		
Protective surfaces are not frozen		

AREA	Y/N/N-A	COMMENTS
Free of trash		
No broken glass		
Trash receptacles provided		
Low lying branches trimmed		
No improper storage nearby		
Fences, benches, handrails, steps in good condition		
No vandalism or graffiti observed		
Lighting is acceptable		
Signs and rules are posted		
Drainage is acceptable, no standing water		

OTHER	COMMENTS