

Playground Inspection

Daily or Weekly Inspection Checklist

Identification of obvious hazards due to vandalism, use, wear & tear or weather

Location:	Date of Inspection:		
	Inspected by:		
	Date of next assessment due:		
Items to be assessed for potential hazards:	What is the hazard?	Risk Level* VH-H-M-L	What action taken, when, by whom?
Surfacing: Pay particular attention to equipment high use/wear areas. Loose Fill Material: Check depth is 300mm, rake back worn areas. Any broken glass, rocks, foreign objects to cause physical injury? Are borders enclosing loose-fill secure? Synthetic Material: Is synthetic material in good condition, secure with no trip points? Any fouling of surface or chewing gum, foreign objects, rocks?			
Equipment platforms, structures and frames: Any obvious physical damage or missing parts, vandalism? Cracked or damaged plastic or wood panels? Are there any protruding screws, nails or bolts? Have any loose items such as ropes, rocks or logs been brought into the playground? Are surfaces free from moss, mould, unhygienic matter?			
Ropes, Cables, nets, chains: Check for wear in equipment and connections			
Swings: Check for smooth swing action, seat damage or vandalism and wear to clevis' and fittings.			
Rotating items: Check the rotating action is smooth and controlled.			
Slides: Check for damage, vandalism or foreign objects on slide bed/sides.			
Rocking items: Check for smooth rotation and visible damage or vandalism			
Flying Fox/monorails/twirling hanging bars: Check trolley for smooth operation and end stops. Check bars for any sideways movement. Check cable/track for wear.			
Access and Entrance: Are all access ramps, entrance free of slipping or tripping points.			
Sandpit's: Any sign of pooling water or drainage issues? Is sand raked daily to remove any foreign objects, fouling, glass.			
General Site Layout: Are paths around playground clear of hazards, cracks, vegetation? Is playground environment in good condition, free of rubbish? Are seating, fencing, rubbish bins in good condition.			

* The level of risk of a hazard is dependent on factors including the likelihood of occurrence and potential for causing injury and death

VH = Very high H = High M = Medium L = Low