

# Prevention Connection



Safety resources to protect your world

## Playground inspection checklist

Topic	Yes	No	Not Applicable	Follow-Up / Notes	Date Completed
Are playground rules clearly posted?					
Is the area clear of trash or debris?					
Do the fall zones extend at least six feet beyond each piece of playground equipment?					
Does the ground surface have a protective covering of at least 12 inches of wood chips, mulch, sand, or pea gravel, or are there mats made of safety-tested rubber-like material?					
Are the anchors that hold down the equipment secure and unimpaired?					
Is there any exposed hardware, such as open "S" hooks, protruding screws, bolts, etc.?					
Are there spaces that could trip children, such as openings in guardrails or between ladder rungs, measuring more than 3.5 inches or less than 9 inches?					
Are there any exposed or sharp edges?					
Are there any plants, trees, etc., that are encroaching into the playground?					
Are the guardrails and fall protection items secure and clear?					
Are the chains and hanging items secure and unimpaired?					
Is there any standing water?					
Is any piece of equipment corroded?					
Is the playground equipment clean and clear?					
Is there any vandalism or graffiti?					
Are there any people, vehicles, etc. nearby that are out of the ordinary?				If yes, investigate immediately.	
Are there any unresolved items left from previous inspection?				If yes, notify management immediately.	