

Supervision	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Adults present	100	86	A+	B
Easily viewed	100	100	A+	A+
Crawl spaces	100	63	A+	D-
Supervision rules posted	25	18	F	F
Overall Grade: Supervision			B+	C
Age-Appropriate Design	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Had separate areas	100	55	A+	F
Signage for age group provided	18	20	F	F
Provided change of direction	82	91	B-	A-
Had guardrails	100	100	A+	A+
Prevented climbing outside the structure	42	100	F	A+
Supporting structure prevented climbing on	50	91	F	A-
Overall Grade: Age - Appropriate Design			C-	C
Fall Surfacing	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Suitable materials provided	100	91	A+	A-
Heights of equipment 8 feet or lower	NA	100	NA	A+
Appropriate depth of loose fill	25	60	F	D-
Six foot use zone had appropriate surface	67	91	D+	A-
Concrete footings were covered	100	100	A+	A+
Free of foreign objects	67	82	D+	B-
Overall Grade: Fall Surfacing			C	B+
Equipment Maintenance	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Free of broken parts	75	100	C	A+
Free of missing parts	67	100	D+	A+
Free of protruding bolts	100	91	A+	A-
Free of noticeable gaps	58	64	F	D
Free of head entrapments	83	91	B-	A-
Free of rust	88	91	B+	A-
Free of splinter	100	100	A+	A+
Free of cracks/holes	100	100	A+	A+
Overall Grade: Equipment Maintenance			C+	A-

Playground Equipment Profile*		
Year of installation	2004	
Pre 1980	14%	
1981-1990	0%	
1991-1994	14%	
1995-1997	0%	
1998-present	71%	
Not available	36%	
Kinds of Equipment**	2000	2004
Slides	92%	100%
Swings	100%	100%
Horizontal ladders	58%	54%
Sliding poles	50%	36%
Chinning bars	25%	27%
Seesaws	25%	27%
Merry-go-rounds	17%	0%
Geodesic domes	0%	0%
<p>* The number in these columns indicates the percentages of the year of installation. These may contain a combination of different installation years at each playground site. NA represents percentages that are not available.</p> <p>** The numbers in these columns reflect percentages of equipment pieces were found.</p> <p>Grading Scale: A=90-100 B=80-89 C=70-79 D=60-69 F=59></p>		

Connecticut's Park Grade:

2000

B-

2004

B-



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