

| Supervision | 2000 % | 2004 % | 2000 Grade | 2004 Grade |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Adults present | 75 | 100 | C | A+ |
| Easily viewed | 100 | 100 | A+ | A+ |
| Crawl spaces | 93 | 100 | A- | A+ |
| Supervision rules posted | 14 | 25 | F | F |
| Overall Grade: Supervision | | | B- | B+ |
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| Age-Appropriate Design | 2000 % | 2004 % | 2000 Grade | 2004 Grade |
| Had separate areas | 36 | 67 | F | D+ |
| Signage for age group provided | 0 | 17 | F | F |
| Provided change of direction | 100 | 100 | A+ | A+ |
| Had guardrails | 100 | 92 | A+ | A- |
| Prevented climbing outside the structure | 86 | 100 | B | A+ |
| Supporting structure prevented climbing on | 86 | 92 | B | A- |
| Overall Grade: Age - Appropriate Design | | | B- | C |
| | | | | |
| Fall Surfacing | 2000 % | 2004 % | 2000 Grade | 2004 Grade |
| Suitable materials provided | 64 | 100 | D | A+ |
| Heights of equipment 8 feet or lower | NA | 100 | NA | A+ |
| Appropriate depth of loose fill | 36 | 0 | F | F |
| Six foot use zone had appropriate surface | 57 | 100 | F | A+ |
| Concrete footings were covered | 93 | 100 | A- | A+ |
| Free of foreign objects | 86 | 100 | B | A+ |
| Overall Grade: Fall Surfacing | | | B- | A- |
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| Equipment Maintenance | 2000 % | 2004 % | 2000 Grade | 2004 Grade |
| Free of broken parts | 71 | 100 | C- | A+ |
| Free of missing parts | 54 | 100 | F | A+ |
| Free of protruding bolts | 93 | 92 | A- | A- |
| Free of noticeable gaps | 64 | 69 | D | D+ |
| Free of head entrapments | 79 | 100 | C+ | A+ |
| Free of rust | 64 | 92 | D | A- |
| Free of splinter | 75 | 50 | C | F |
| Free of cracks/holes | 100 | 100 | A+ | A+ |
| Overall Grade: Equipment Maintenance | | | C | B+ |

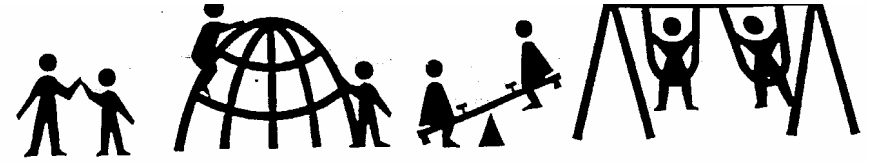
| Playground Equipment Profile* | | |
|---|-------------|-------------|
| Year of installation | 2004 | |
| Pre 1980 | 23% | |
| 1981-1990 | 15% | |
| 1991-1994 | 39% | |
| 1995-1997 | 0% | |
| 1998-present | 42% | |
| Not available | 8% | |
| | | |
| Kinds of Equipment** | 2000 | 2004 |
| Slides | 100% | 100% |
| Swings | 86% | 85% |
| Horizontal ladders | 64% | 16% |
| Sliding poles | 64% | 38% |
| Chinning bars | 29% | 31% |
| Seesaws | 21% | 15% |
| Merry-go-rounds | 7% | 8% |
| Geodesic domes | 7% | 8% |
| <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> | | |

Maryland's Park Grade:

2000
C+

2004
B

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