

Supervision	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Adults present	67	50	D+	F
Easily viewed	100	100	A+	A+
Crawl spaces	100	100	A+	A+
Supervision rules posted	0	10	F	F
Overall Grade: Supervision			B-	C+
Age-Appropriate Design	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Had separate areas	100	0	A+	F
Signage for age group provided	0	0	F	F
Provided change of direction	100	100	A+	A+
Had guardrails	100	95	A+	A
Prevented climbing outside the structure	74	100	C	A+
Supporting structure prevented climbing on	75	100	C	A+
Overall Grade: Age - Appropriate Design			B	B
Fall Surfacing	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Suitable materials provided	80	100	B-	A+
Heights of equipment 8 feet or lower	NA	100	NA	A+
Appropriate depth of loose fill	30	0	F	F
Six foot use zone had appropriate surface	75	100	C	A+
Concrete footings were covered	100	100	A+	A+
Free of foreign objects	85	100	B	A+
Overall Grade: Fall Surfacing			C+	C+
Equipment Maintenance	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Free of broken parts	85	95	B	A
Free of missing parts	80	100	B-	A+
Free of protruding bolts	100	100	A+	A+
Free of noticeable gaps	70	95	C-	A
Free of head entrapments	90	95	A-	A
Free of rust	95	90	A	A-
Free of splinter	100	100	A+	A+
Free of cracks/holes	92	100	A-	A+
Overall Grade: Equipment Maintenance			B+	A

Playground Equipment Profile*		
Year of installation	2004	
Pre 1980	24%	
1981-1990	5%	
1991-1994	19%	
1995-1997	0%	
1998-present	81%	
Not available	5%	
Kinds of Equipment**	2000	2004
Slides	85%	86%
Swings	10%	14%
Horizontal ladders	75%	71%
Sliding poles	50%	48%
Chinning bars	80%	57%
Seesaws	0%	0%
Merry-go-rounds	5%	0%
Geodesic domes	20%	5%
<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 School Grade:

2000

B

2004

B



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