

Supervision	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Adults present	14	50	F	F
Easily viewed	88	67	B+	D+
Crawl spaces	14	67	F	D+
Supervision rules posted	9	0	F	F
Overall Grade: Supervision			C-	D
Age-Appropriate Design	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Had separate areas	25	14	F	F
Signage for age group provided	33	0	F	F
Provided change of direction	43	100	F	A+
Had guardrails	100	89	A+	B+
Prevented climbing outside the structure	14	89	F	B+
Supporting structure prevented climbing on	13	89	F	B+
Overall Grade: Age - Appropriate Design			D	B-
Fall Surfacing	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Suitable materials provided	38	78	F	C+
Heights of equipment 8 feet or lower	NA	100	NA	A+
Appropriate depth of loose fill	38	57	F	F
Six foot use zone had appropriate surface	25	78	F	C+
Concrete footings were covered	50	78	F	C+
Free of foreign objects	25	67	F	D+
Overall Grade: Fall Surfacing			F	C+
Equipment Maintenance	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Free of broken parts	50	89	F	B+
Free of missing parts	38	89	F	B+
Free of protruding bolts	38	89	F	B+
Free of noticeable gaps	13	78	F	C+
Free of head entrapments	50	67	F	D+
Free of rust	45	71	F	C-
Free of splinter	0	33	F	F
Free of cracks/holes	67	100	D	A+
Overall Grade: Equipment Maintenance			F	B-

Playground Equipment Profile*		
Year of installation	2004	
Pre 1980	0%	
1981-1990	38%	
1991-1994	0%	
1995-1997	38%	
1998-present	25%	
Not available	11%	
Kinds of Equipment**	2000	2004
Slides	88%	86%
Swings	88%	56%
Horizontal ladders	75%	67%
Sliding poles	38%	33%
Chinning bars	50%	11%
Seesaws	50%	13%
Merry-go-rounds	75%	22%
Geodesic domes	0%	11%
* 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.		
** The numbers in these columns reflect percentages of equipment pieces were found.		
Grading Scale: A=90-100 B=80-89 C=70-79 D=60-69 F=59>		

Michigan's Park Grade:

2000

D

2004

C+



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