

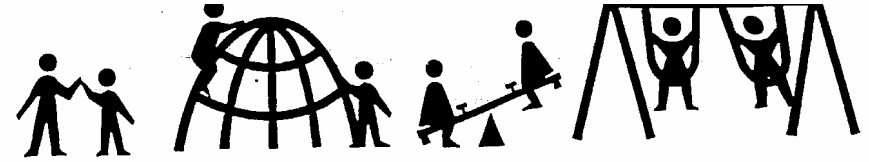
Supervision	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Adults present	86	86	B	B
Easily viewed	100	92	A+	A-
Crawl spaces	57	92	F	A-
Supervision rules posted	0	8	F	F
Overall Grade: Supervision			C	B-
Age-Appropriate Design	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Had separate areas	30	60	F	D-
Signage for age group provided	0	0	F	F
Provided change of direction	78	92	C	A-
Had guardrails	60	100	D-	A+
Prevented climbing outside the structure	67	100	D	A+
Supporting structure prevented climbing on	50	83	F	B-
Overall Grade: Age - Appropriate Design			D	B-
Fall Surfacing	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Suitable materials provided	100	100	A+	A+
Heights of equipment 8 feet or lower	NA	100	NA	A+
Appropriate depth of loose fill	60	75	D-	C
Six foot use zone had appropriate surface	80	92	B-	A-
Concrete footings were covered	70	100	C-	A+
Free of foreign objects	40	100	F	A+
Overall Grade: Fall Surfacing			C	A
Equipment Maintenance	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Free of broken parts	80	85	B-	B
Free of missing parts	90	85	A-	B
Free of protruding bolts	70	100	C-	A+
Free of noticeable gaps	60	77	D-	C
Free of head entrapments	50	69	F	D+
Free of rust	50	50	F	F
Free of splinter	83	100	B-	A+
Free of cracks/holes	90	91	A-	A-
Overall Grade: Equipment Maintenance			C+	B-

Playground Equipment Profile*		
Year of installation	2004	
Pre 1980	0%	
1981-1990	0%	
1991-1994	16%	
1995-1997	16%	
1998-present	67%	
Not available	8%	
Kinds of Equipment**	2000	2004
Slides	100%	85%
Swings	100%	92%
Horizontal ladders	30%	62%
Sliding poles	50%	61%
Chinning bars	10%	31%
Seesaws	0%	0%
Merry-go-rounds	20%	8%
Geodesic domes	0%	0%
* 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>		

Minnesota's Park Grade:

2000
C-

2004
B



Comments

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