

Supervision	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Adults present	100	100	A+	A+
Easily viewed	82	83	B-	B-
Crawl spaces	75	58	C	F
Supervision rules posted	46	33	F	F
Overall Grade: Supervision			C+	C
Age-Appropriate Design	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Had separate areas	40	33	F	F
Signage for age group provided	11	17	F	F
Provided change of direction	88	83	B+	B-
Had guardrails	67	100	D+	A+
Prevented climbing outside the structure	73	92	C-	A-
Supporting structure prevented climbing on	80	92	B-	A-
Overall Grade: Age - Appropriate Design			C-	B-
Fall Surfacing	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Suitable materials provided	73	83	C-	B-
Heights of equipment 8 feet or lower	NA	50	NA	F
Appropriate depth of loose fill	55	0	F	F
Six foot use zone had appropriate surface	80	83	B-	B-
Concrete footings were covered	82	100	B-	A+
Free of foreign objects	55	92	F	A-
Overall Grade: Fall Surfacing			C-	C+
Equipment Maintenance	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Free of broken parts	27	100	F	A+
Free of missing parts	73	92	C-	A-
Free of protruding bolts	82	100	B-	A+
Free of noticeable gaps	82	75	B-	C
Free of head entrapments	100	100	A+	A+
Free of rust	45	100	F	A+
Free of splinter	71	100	C-	A+
Free of cracks/holes	86	100	B	A+
Overall Grade: Equipment Maintenance			C	A

Playground Equipment Profile*		
Year of installation	2004	
Pre 1980	22%	
1981-1990	22%	
1991-1994	11%	
1995-1997	0%	
1998-present	56%	
Not available	25%	
Kinds of Equipment**	2000	2004
Slides	90%	100%
Swings	82%	92%
Horizontal ladders	40%	58%
Sliding poles	44%	67%
Chinning bars	20%	25%
Seesaws	99%	0%
Merry-go-rounds	25%	8%
Geodesic domes	13%	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>		

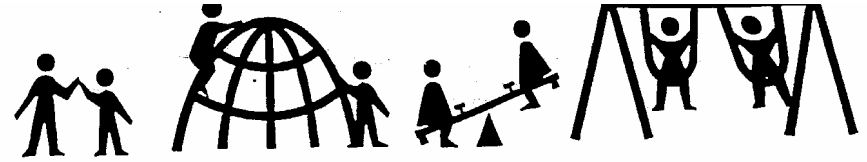
Virginia's Park Grade:

2000

C

2004

B-



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