

Supervision	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Adults present	100	100	A+	A+
Easily viewed	88	94	B+	A
Crawl spaces	76	80	C	B-
Supervision rules posted	20	9	F	F
Overall Grade: Supervision			C+	B
Age-Appropriate Design	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Had separate areas	55	43	F	F
Signage for age group provided	7	14	F	F
Provided change of direction	96	96	A	A
Had guardrails	73	96	C-	A
Prevented climbing outside the structure	60	96	D-	A
Supporting structure prevented climbing on	74	98	C	A
Overall Grade: Age - Appropriate Design			D+	B-
Fall Surfacing	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Suitable materials provided	81	89	B-	B+
Heights of equipment 8 feet or lower	NA	80	NA	B-
Appropriate depth of loose fill	46	0	F	F
Six foot use zone had appropriate surface	68	89	D+	B+
Concrete footings were covered	85	100	B	A+
Free of foreign objects	75	96	C	A
Overall Grade: Fall Surfacing			C-	B
Equipment Maintenance	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Free of broken parts	81	96	B-	A
Free of missing parts	85	98	B	A
Free of protruding bolts	73	98	C-	A
Free of noticeable gaps	71	80	C-	B-
Free of head entrapments	85	86	B	B
Free of rust	42	93	F	A-
Free of splinter	68	100	D+	A+
Free of cracks/holes	86	98	B	A
Overall Grade: Equipment Maintenance			C	A-

Playground Equipment Profile*		
Year of installation	2004	
Pre 1980	15%	
1981-1990	15%	
1991-1994	10%	
1995-1997	0%	
1998-present	73%	
Not available	11%	
Kinds of Equipment**	2000	2004
Slides	59%	100%
Swings	61%	48%
Horizontal ladders	50%	57%
Sliding poles	35%	50%
Chinning bars	28%	37%
Seesaws	4%	9%
Merry-go-rounds	7%	7%
Geodesic domes	24%	8%
<small>* 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.</small>		
<small>** The numbers in these columns reflect percentages of equipment pieces were found.</small>		
<small>Grading Scale: A=90-100 B=80-89 C=70-79 D=60-69 F=59></small>		

Virginia's Grade:

2000

C

2004

B



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