



AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, April 28, 2026

6:30 PM

Children's Park

(248) 693-8391 ext. 102

ADDRESSING THE VILLAGE COUNCIL: Each person wishing to address the Committee shall be afforded an opportunity to do so. Anyone that would like to make a public comment at any point during the meeting must first sign the "Sign In" sheet located near the main entrance door. If you wish to comment, please stand or raise a hand to indicate that you wish to speak. When recognized, give your name and address and direct your comments to the Chair.

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum**
- 3. Approval of Minutes**
 - A. Approval of Meeting Minutes- March 24, 2026
- 4. Call to Public**
- 5. Approval of Agenda**
- 6. Pending Business**
 - A.** Parks Maintenance
 - B.** Capital Improvement Plan
- 7. New Business**
 - A.** Troop 284 Community Service
 - B.** Volunteer Days
 - C.** Committee Minutes
 - D. Children's Park safety form

8. Reports

- A. Children's Shade Sails
- B. Green's Boat Bumpers
- C. Orion Township networking
- D. Atwater Basketball court

9. Items to Be Placed on Next Agenda

10. Next Regular Meeting - May 26, 2026

11. Committee Member Comments

12. Adjournment

13. ADA Notice

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En el espíritu de la observancia de la Ley de Estadounidenses con Discapacidades, las personas con discapacidad debe sentirse libre para ponerse en contacto con el pueblo, por lo menos tres (3) días hábiles de antelación a la fecha de la reunión, si se solicitan alojamiento. El municipio de Lake Orion proporcionará idioma extranjero o personas con problemas de audición servicios de interpretación para las personas que se ponen en contacto con el pueblo de solicitar dichos servicios con no menos de siete (7) días antes de la reunión.

Village of Lake Orion Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee
Regular Meeting: Tuesday, March 24, 2026, 6:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order by the Chairperson

The Tuesday, March 24, 2026, Regular Meeting of the Village of Lake Orion Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee was called to order at Village Hall by Rosemary Ford at 6:40pm.

2. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

Present: Chairperson: Rosemary Ford
Council Member: George Dandalides
Secretary: Cristy Garbacik
Absent: Vice Chairperson: Erin Crane
Member: Erin Rohlfing
Vacancies: None
Also in attendance: DPW Director Wes Sanchez
Village Council member Mike Lamb

3. Approval of Minutes

Meeting Minutes – February 24, 2026

By Cristy Garbacik,

RESOLVED: That the regular minutes of the February 24, 2026, meeting of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee be approved.

Seconded by Rosemary Ford and adopted: AYES: 3; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 2.

4. Call to the Public

No public comment was received.

5. Approval of Agenda

By Cristy Garbacik,

RESOLVED: To approve the Agenda of the Tuesday, March 24, 2026, Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee.

Seconded by George Dandalides and adopted AYES: 3; NAYS: 0; ABSENT: 2.

6. Pending Business

A. Parks Maintenance.

An updated parks maintenance needs list is presented on a word document **which is attached and incorporated as part of these minutes.**

Added:

Children’s - Valentino’s grease bin is leaking into park (DPW contacted restaurant manager)

Children’s - Green rubber mulch is needed in playground area.

Children’s - Bench metal frames are rusted and broken (two = Gazebo and by Wine Social top)

Removed:

Meek’s – Tree fell in river (per DNR, the tree needs to stay for bank/root stabilization)

B. Capital Improvement Plan

An updated capital improvement plan is presented on an excel document **which is attached and incorporated as part of these minutes.**

DPW received three quotes to repair the sprinklers in Green's Park. Thinking about Stafford.

\$10,950 Mr. Sprinkler quote

\$9,800 Techseven quote

\$6,950 Stafford quote

7. New Business

A. Troop 284 Community Service

Scout Troop 284, with Scoutmaster Neil Garbacik, met at Atwater Park March 14 from 9:00-10:30am. They gathered sticks and cleaned up the area.

They will continue to do community service at Children's Park on Saturday, April 11 from 9:00-10:30am. Cristy Garbacik will be in touch with DPW/Wes Sanchez with reminders and support.

B. Eagle Project

Logan Garbacik, from Scout Troop 284, worked with DPW Wes Sanchez and the Village Manager to agree on an Eagle Project. He will update or repair the picnic tables at Children's Park.

C. Volunteer Days

Rescheduled for next meeting.

8. Reports

A. Children's Shade Sails

A reminder was shared with Wes Sanchez about the email George Dadalides sent to DPW on October 31, 2025 with CIP requests and a quote for purchasing shade sails from AAA State of Play for Children's Park at \$2,500 with posts. These will match the current ones in Children's Park with Ocean Blue frames and Lime Shade Fabric. We would request DPW to assist with installation.

B. Green's Boat Bumpers

George Dadalides proposed to meet with Wes Sanchez on March, 25th at Green's Park to discuss the continued improvement of the docks. This includes, but is not limited to, leveling the docks, adding bumpers, adjusting cleats, fixing the floating dock for stability, and extending the docks by one section. Additionally requesting to work with John Jones from Walk on Water.

C. Orion Township networking

George Dadalides spoke with Aaron Whatley from Orion Twp. Parks and Rec. Aaron said he knows about agreeing to discuss how Orion Township could support the Village parks. Rosemary Ford and George Dadalides will coordinate their schedules to meet with Aaron in April to walk the Village Parks.

D. Basketball Court

On March 23, 2026 Village Council majority voted no on continuing to fund the basketball project. The Council then agreed to pay a portion (\$60,000), and it was suggested to request the remaining funds from DDA; as this is in a DDA area. Council then suggested asking the DDA to fund the entire project. Next, Council will present this for approval of the DDA.

9. Items to Be Placed on Next Agenda

Pending Business

Parks Maintenance

Capital Improvement Plan

New Business

Troop 284 Community service

Volunteer Days

Committee Minutes

Children's Park safety form

Reports

Children's Shade Sails

Green's Boat Bumpers

Orion Township networking

Atwater Basketball court

10. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday, April 28, 2026, at 6:30 at Children's Park.

11. Committee Member Comments

Rosemary Ford mentioned there is a DDA downtown volunteer day on May 9th from 9-12.

12. Adjournment

On a motion by Cristy Garbacik seconded by Rosemay Ford, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.

Rosemary Ford, Chairperson
Date Approved: _____

Cristy Garbacik, Recording Secretary

**Village of Lake Orion Parks & Recreation Committee Budget
 2026-2027 Capital Improvement Plan (major permanent items over \$2,500 with a life span over 1 year)**

| | Budget Item | Priority Level | Cost Estimate | Cost Actual | Notes | Voted & Agreed |
|---|---|-----------------------|----------------------|---|--|--|
| 1 | Atwater Park Basketball Court - 4" <u>Approved - 11-25-24 and 4-22-25</u> Request 68x50 (3,400 sq. ft. court) Current 47x50 (2,350 sq. ft. court) | High | \$16,000 | 5-28-24 Birmingham Seal \$30,733.00 (50x50 2,500sf) removal +\$4,700 9-21-24 Hutch Paving \$33,965.00 (68x50 3,400sf) and removal 7-22-25 NF Paving \$35,712.44 (84x50 7,280sf) 8-25-25 Hutch Paving \$32,480.00 (4,100 sf) and removal +9,820 | 8-1-23 Began discussion 6-25-24 DPW to look into cost 11-25-24 Council approved CDBG funds of \$9,348.00 to be used towards Atwater bb court refurbish 10-6-25 P&R letter 2-24-26 DPW received 6 bids for Jr. High size from \$132,000 to 57,000. The swings will need to be moved. Done in Spring 2026. 3-23-26 Village council majority votes no on project, suggested DDA funds project. | 11-25-24 Council approved uses of PY2025 CDBG \$9,348.00 project. April '25 Council approved allocations for '25-'26 fully fund project, projected to be complete in Spring of 2026 7-28-25 Council doesn't support 7-22-25 NF engineering recommendation, manager requesting engineering 10-10-25 Council approved engineering for basketball court. |
| 2 | Green's Park Pavilion (SW of basketball court) | High | \$50,000 | | 10-27-20 20x40 powder coated steel, 24-gauge metal roof 9-23-25 motion 10-6-25 P&R letter 2-24-26 DPW contacted Mocerri about a donation | 5-3-21 GazeboCreations.com \$34,000 to 38,000. Plus pouring concrete slab, construction volunteer day total \$45,000-50,000 |

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| 3 | Green's Park Sprinklers | High | \$6,000 | 7-22-25 \$8,400 DPW quote 3-24-26 \$10,950 Mr. Sprinkler quote 3-24-26 \$9,800 Techseven quote 3-24-26 \$6,950 Stafford quote | 7-26-22 motion 9-23-25 motion 10-6-25 P&R letter 2-24-26 DPW request for quote | |
| 4 | Atwater Additional Swing structure | Medium | \$1,500 | | 10-6-25 P&R letter 2-24-26 hold until basketball court is complete | |
| 5 | Children's Additional Shade Sail(s) (1-3) Frame=Ocean Blue Shade fabric=Lime | Medium | 1200 each | 7-22-25 \$5,000 total, \$2,500 each AAA State of Play | Matching current, with post, DPW install 10-6-25 P&R letter 10-31-25 email | 9-23-25 Yes |
| 6 | Green's Park Retaining Wall | Medium | | | | |
| 7 | Unger Park Basketball court | Low | | Birmingham Seal \$15,000.00 5-28-24 (quarter court) | | |
| 8 | Swiss Village Basketball court | Low | | | | |
| 9 | Children's Park Stone walls are disintegrating. | | | | DDA installed 5-14-20 concern | |
| # | Green's Park East-West seawall | | | | 5/26/2015 | |
| # | Green's Park Dock extension x1 | | | | 7-22-25 10-6-25 P&R letter | |

Approved

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| | Children's and Meek's Park - Bank Stabilization <u>Approved 4-22-25</u> | High | 300,000 - 400,000 | | The Village and DDA have a goal of improving bank stabilization in the DDA district. A 75/25 plan allows 75% of funds to be allotted for needed infrastructure. | 4-22-25 Village, DPW, and DDA have approved completing this project in Spring 2026. |
| | Children's Park Bridge | Medium | | | 7-22-25 budgeted by Village for '25-26 for \$100,000 2-18-26 Newspaper article design proposal | |

Lake Orion Village Parks Maintenance Items

Updated Per March 24, 2026, Meeting

Red =1st Priority, Orange =2nd Priority, Blue = 3rd Priority

All Parks

- 1 – **DPW daily maintenance employee for the park grounds.**
- 1 – **Power wash and weed all parks monthly or as needed.**

Children's Park

- 1 – (7/23/24) Add woodchips next to the red slide, all new spirea have died. (Jose will call)
- 1 – (5/27/25) New Maple tree by Cookies and Cream died. (planted 7/23/24)
- 1 – (7/23/24) Playground equipment Twist broken, needs to be raised – (Landscape Structures contacted)
Ordered by DPW, might be covered by Warranty
- 1 – (3/24/26) Valentino's grease bin is leaking into park (DPW contacted restaurant manager)
- 2 – (3/24/26) Green rubber mulch is needed in playground area.
- 2 – (3/24/26) Bench metal frames are rusted and broken (two = Gazebo and by Wine Social top)
- 3 – (3/19/24) Picnic table multiple seats cracked (close to parking lot) – Future Eagle project

Meek's Park

- 2 – Bollards on bridge were run over and need to be replaced (close to Washington street)
- 3 – Bench was run over and needs to be replaced

Green's Park

- 1 – (7/26/22) Addition of mounted boat bumpers to be installed on docks. (10-6-25 P&R letter)
- 1 – (5/27/25) New Maple tree by beach died. (planted 7/23/24)
- 2 – (7/22/25) Floating boat dock (furthest south) unstable.
- 3 – (7/23/24) Remove small wooden and concrete seawall inside south beach. (5/27/25 met with engineer)

Swiss Village Park

- 2 – (5/27/25) Grass needs to be cut on hill.
- 2 – (6/24/25) Playground low on sand.
- 3 – (5/23/23) Border needed around playground.
- 3 – (8/26/25) Chess table chair bent.

Unger Park

Atwater Park

- 2 – (2/24/26) Fix chain-link fence (bent with holes, by the baseball diamond close to DPW)
- 3 – (4/22/25) Bleachers need to be replaced.

RISK CONTROL SOLUTIONS

A Service of the Michigan Municipal League Liability and Property Pool and
the Michigan Municipal League Workers' Compensation Fund

PLAYGROUNDS AND PARKS

INTRODUCTION

Many Michigan communities maintain parks and playgrounds. Public Act 16 of 1997, ***The Playground Equipment Safety Act***, establishes the standards communities must meet if they provide playground equipment in their recreational facilities. The Act requires communities to adopt the standards for playground layout and maintenance as well as equipment selection that the U.S. Consumer Products Safety Commission recommends in its ***Public Playground Safety Handbook*** (2010). In addition, Public Act 16 incorporates the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) standard for playgrounds for public use (F1487 *Standard Consumer Safety Performance Specification for Playground Equipment for Public Use*, F1292 *Standard Specification for Impact Attenuation of Surface Systems Under and Around Playground Equipment*, and other related standards). Failure to comply with Public Act 16 is a state civil infraction that might result in civil fines.

Parks and playground facilities enhance the community and provide the public with recreational opportunities. However, the use of playground equipment as well as the grounds themselves can lead to injuries. Therefore, management should manage this potential risk so that the public has a reasonable level of safety. Managers should also provide equal attention to the upkeep of play areas as well as to the proper assembly and maintenance of playground equipment.

Establishing routine regular inspections of the facilities and equipment throughout the year will help to prevent injuries and subsequent claims. In addition to reducing possible claims, year-round inspections and upkeep will reduce and control the amount of maintenance that the beginning of each season typically requires. Spring is an ideal time to conduct a walking survey of park and playground areas to obtain an overview of their general condition and any repairs that are necessary.

REGULAR INSPECTIONS

You should establish regular inspections to verify that play equipment is in proper condition and that the park and play areas receive necessary maintenance. High-use seasons may require more frequent inspections. Personnel who perform the inspections should receive training. Employees should document inspections using a checklist and appropriate corrective action should be taken and documented for any deficiencies. Proper documentation of inspections and appropriate corrective action could provide a strong legal defense in case of a lawsuit.

GENERAL ISSUES

In addition to maintaining park and playground areas in good condition, park management should consider establishing reasonable rules for park usage. Park management should post any rules in clearly visible locations around the perimeter of the park. Park Management should post rules that are specific to certain activities -- use of picnic areas, for example -- in areas where these activities take place. Rules should cover park hours, prohibited activities, and any other concerns. If police are to enforce these rules, the community should formalize the rules by legislative action.

FIELDS, TRAILS, WALKING TRACKS

These areas typically present numerous slip and/or trip exposures. Walking surfaces should be reasonably smooth. If wood chips or other materials are used as surfacing, employees should rake them and add more fill as necessary. Employees should routinely check for and correct potholes, erosion, rodent burrows, tree stumps and roots. They should remove debris such as broken glass, rocks as well as toxic plants and plants with thorns. If there are special hazards such as trenches, ponds, or streams, park management should post advisory and warning signs at appropriate intervals near each hazard.

PICNIC FACILITIES

Many parks and playgrounds offer picnic and/or barbecue areas. The location of barbecue grills and picnic tables requires careful consideration. Placing this equipment too close to paths of travel or play equipment can endanger young children. For the same reason, barbecue grills should not be too close to picnic tables. Employees should make certain that the area around each grill is clear of debris and material to reduce the fire hazard. Picnic tables and benches should be stable and have reasonably smooth surfaces. Park personnel should remove any benches and tables with splintered wood surfaces or sharp metal edges until park personnel can repair them or replace them with new equipment. Personnel should also examine equipment for loose fittings or hardware and replace or repair them as necessary. Signs should be in place that inform the public of any rules for the use of barbecue grills. These rules might include:

- Hours of use;
- A prohibition against children lighting the grill or cooking;
- A prohibition against the use of alcohol in the park;
- Months during which the public may use the grills.

PLAYGROUND ACTIVITIES

The U.S. Consumer Products Safety Commission (CPSC) has gathered statistics on the types and percentages of playground accidents. The CPSC estimates that there are over 200,000 annual emergency room visits due to the use of playground equipment. The most recent study of equipment-related incidents between 2001 and 2008 found that falls from equipment are the most common type of accident (44% of injuries). The next most common type of accident involves injury due to broken

equipment, tip over, design flaws, and improper assembly (23% of injuries). Other causes of injury involve entrapment or entanglement in equipment and colliding with other children or stationary equipment.

The CPSC's *Public Playground Safety Handbook* provides safety recommendations for specific types of equipment as well as use and fall zones and discusses various hazards that each type of equipment poses. Any apparatus your municipality purchases or acquires should meet these guidelines. In addition, the guide provides guidelines for installation and maintenance.

EQUIPMENT SELECTION AND INSTALLATION

Install new apparatus according to the manufacturer's specifications and the requirements of Public Act 16. Keep manufacturer's specifications on file. The manufacturer has already determined foundation, anchoring, angles of support, and clearance requirements for the equipment. Deviations from the assembly and installation instructions may violate the design specifications of the equipment and release the manufacturer from product liability.

LAYOUT OF PLAYGROUNDS

When designing a playground, you should consider children's safety as they travel to and from the playground. Experts recommend that playgrounds be enclosed to keep children from inadvertently running into the street. The enclosure does not eliminate the need for adult supervision. Park management should post signs informing the public of the need to watch their children as they play on the equipment.

The playground should have distinct areas for specific activities. Play equipment should be grouped together and away from open spaces used for running or games. Sand boxes and equipment for other quiet activities should have their own space. In addition, experts recommend separation of play areas for older and younger children. In particular, pre-school children should have their own equipment in an area that is separate from equipment for older children.

LAYOUT OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

Position each piece of equipment so that it has the appropriate amount of "use space". This space has two zones:

Fall Impact: This is the area beneath and around the apparatus where children falling from it are likely to land.

Non-Encroachment: This is the recovery space outside the impact zone for children to jump or dash off the equipment. This area should be free of obstruction so that children do not trip or run into anything before regaining control.

Follow specific guidelines for climbing apparatus, swings, slides and merry-go-rounds as offered in the CPSC's *Public Playground Safety Handbook*:

Climbing Equipment: Spacing in between bars should not be too wide or long for children's arms or legs. Hand rungs should fit children's hands. (Preferably they should be cylindrical and approximately 1-5/8" in diameter.) There should be an easy way for children to get up and down from the top. Bright, contrasting colors on rungs or steps help children perceive distances more easily.

Swings: Locate swings away from other equipment. There should be 2 to 6 swings in a series. The normal minimum clearance of 18" (non-encroachment zone) may need to be greater for swings that move in all directions, such as tire swings. Choose seats made of lightweight materials, with a smooth finish and rounded edges. Wood and metal seats are not recommended.

Slides: Slides can range from 4' to 16' in height. They may be straight, spiral, wavy, or tubular. To reduce excessive speed, limit the average incline to 30 degrees or less. Most manufacturers design slides with a 26-degree incline. Slides that are over 4' high should have sides at least 2-1/2" high and a top barrier at least 38" high.

Horizontal platforms should be sufficiently wide to help children make the transition from climbing to sitting. For slides attached to a composite structure, the length should be at least 3 feet; for freestanding slides, the recommended length is 22" minimum. Steps should be 7"-11" apart and be at least 15" wide with a permanent slip-resistant finish. Slides should have continuous handrails on both sides of the ladder. The exit region should be parallel to the ground and a minimum length of 11". For slides of 4 feet or less, the height of the exit region should be no more than 11" from the protective surface. Slides higher than four feet, should have exit regions that are at least 7" but no more than 15" above the protective surface. Position slides in shaded areas to prevent burns and glare and point slide exits away from congested areas of the playground. Metal slides can be especially hazardous for burn risks. Composite non-metal slides are preferred.

Merry-go-Rounds: According to the CPSC, this is the most common type of rotating equipment found on public playgrounds. The platform on which children stand should be approximately round and have handgrips to prevent falls. It should not have any sharp edges. No equipment should protrude beyond the edge of the base. The platform should never rotate at a speed higher than 13 feet per second.

Seesaws: The CPSC does not recommend the typical fulcrum seesaw for preschool children because they are not adept at coordinating their actions. Seesaws equipped with a spring centering device are acceptable. The device keeps the seesaw from hitting the ground abruptly if one child gets off it. Seesaws should have handholds at each seating area. These handholds should not turn or move when gripped. The fulcrum on seesaws should not present a pinch or crush hazard. To prevent the crushing of limbs between the seat and the ground, the CPSC recommends embedding a partial car tire or using other cushioning material underneath each seat of a fulcrum seesaw.

PLAYGROUND SURFACING

Proper playground surfacing materials can reduce the likelihood of serious injuries due to falls from playground equipment. The potential for injury is greater when no surfacing material cushions the fall in the use and/or fall zone of the equipment. During inspections, park personnel should use CPSC safety guidelines to determine the use and/or fall zones and how large an area of cushioning material they should provide to protect children at play on or near the equipment. Hard-packed soil, grass, concrete, and asphalt DO NOT provide cushioning properties. The following materials, at a minimum depth of 6 to 9 inches depending on the height of the equipment and the surface materials selected, provide effective, resilient surfacing:

- Rubber mats (tested to ASTM F1292)
- Pea gravel
- Sand
- Shredded rubber mulch
- Engineered wood chips
- Wood mulch (not CCA-treated)

Park personnel should rake or level playground-surfacing materials to maintain the proper cushioning depth of the materials. They should remove glass, rocks, and other foreign objects as they rake.

SUMMARY

A sound approach to constructing, maintaining, and operating your public parks and playgrounds benefits your community and every member of the Pool. If you have any questions or if we can assist in any other areas of risk management, please contact Loss Control Services.

MOST COMMON PLAYGROUND HAZARDS

- ◆ Hard surfaces
- ◆ Entrapment of the head and neck
- ◆ Entanglement of clothing or other articles
- ◆ Sharp points, corners, and edges
- ◆ Protrusions and projections
- ◆ Improper layout
- ◆ Exposed concrete footings
- ◆ Poor or no maintenance
- ◆ Pinch points, crush points and shearing points or exposed moving parts

A copy of the safety guidelines referenced in this bulletin can be found online at:

<https://cpsc.gov/s3fs-public/325.pdf>

**Contact MML Risk Management Services Staff/
or your Loss Control Consultant for more information.**



Important Phone Numbers

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|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| MML Risk Management Services | 734.662.3246 or 800.653.2483 |
| Loss Control Services | 800.482.0626 |

Note:

***This document is not intended to be legal advice.
It only identifies some of the issues surrounding this topic.
Public agencies are encouraged to review their procedures with an expert
or a competent attorney who is knowledgeable about the subject.***



GENERAL MAINTENANCE CHECKLIST FOR PLAYGROUNDS

This checklist is based on the CPSC's *Public Playground Safety Handbook*. Using it will help ensure that your playgrounds meet the minimum guidelines for public playground safety that the CPSC has established. You are encouraged to obtain a copy of the Handbook by writing to U.S. Consumer Products Safety Commission, Washington, D.C. 20207 or online at <https://www.cpsc.gov/safety-education/safety-guides/playgrounds/public-playground-safety-handbook>.

| General Maintenance | Yes | No | Comments |
|---|-----|----|----------|
| ▪ Playground free of miscellaneous debris or litter? | | | |
| ▪ All trash barrels in place? | | | |
| ▪ All trash barrels empty when park opens? | | | |
| ▪ Are staff ensuring that trash barrels being emptied frequently? | | | |
| Damage | Yes | No | Comments |
| Are the following free of broken or missing pieces and in good general repair? Check for signs of vandalism or wear: broken or missing handrails or guardrails, rungs on ladders, frayed or cracked swing seats, damage to fences, signs and benches. | | | |
| Swings | | | |
| See-saws | | | |
| Merry-go-rounds | | | |
| Slides | | | |
| Climbers | | | |
| Sliding poles | | | |
| Spring rockers | | | |
| Other: | | | |
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| Surfacing | Yes | No | Comments |
| Are all surfacing materials: | | | |
| ▪ Sufficiently deep to protect children when they fall? | | | |
| ▪ In good condition? | | | |
| ▪ Free of foreign objects? | | | |
| ▪ Loose, particularly in heavy traffic areas? | | | |
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| General Hazards | Yes | No | |
|--|------------|-----------|--|
| Check all equipment and other playground features for any hazards. Are all playground features and equipment: | | | |
| ▪ Free of sharp points, corners and edges? | | | |
| ▪ Free of projections? | | | |
| ▪ Furnished with protective caps or plugs as necessary? | | | |
| ▪ Free of entanglement hazards such as open “S” hooks or joints? | | | |
| ▪ Free of pinch, crush, and shearing points? | | | |
| ▪ Free of trip hazards? These include exposed footings on anchoring devices as well as rocks, roots, or other obstacles. | | | |
| Deterioration of Equipment | Yes | No | |
| Are all equipment and other playground features: | | | |
| ▪ Stable and anchored firmly? | | | |
| ▪ Free of rust, rot, cracks and splinters? | | | |
| ▪ Free of corrosion, especially where structures come in contact with the ground? | | | |
| Security of Hardware | Yes | No | |
| Are all moving parts, such as swing bearing hangars, properly maintained and free of signs of wear? | | | |
| Are all connecting, covering or fastening hardware secure and in good condition? | | | |
| ▪ ‘S” hooks, especially on swings? | | | |
| ▪ Connection points on flexible climbing equipment? | | | |
| ▪ Other? | | | |
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| Equipment Use Zones | Yes | No | |
| Are all areas where people use equipment free of obstacles? This includes: | | | |
| ▪ Baseball diamonds | | | |
| ▪ Volleyball courts | | | |
| ▪ Basketball courts | | | |
| ▪ Open playing areas | | | |
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| Drainage Systems | Yes | No | |
| Is the entire play area free of drainage problems? Watch for pooling of water, especially in heavy use areas such as those under swings or at the end of slides. | | | |