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PLAYGROUND SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT

October 29, 2019

SITE:	Springdale Elementary School 1127 Hope Street Stamford, CT 06907
CLIENT:	Viking Construction, Inc. Attn: JoAnn Michaels 1387 Seaview Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06607
CONTACT PHONE NO.	203-353-0260
DATE OF INSPECTION:	October 24, 2019
INSPECTOR:	Natale Chionchio CPSI Certification # 41619-0521 Expiration: 5/1/2021

PURPOSE AND DEFINITIONS

PURPOSE

The purpose of a Playground Safety Inspection is to:

- * Evaluate the overall condition of a playground or playgrounds at a given facility
- * Identify hazardous conditions needing attention
- * Identify Maintenance issues that the owner should be aware of

HAZARD DEFINITIONS

CLASS A HAZARD: Any condition of the playground that is life threatening or could cause severe, permanent disability.

CLASS B HAZARD: Any condition of the playground that could cause a serious but non-disabling injury.

CLASS C HAZARD: Any condition of the playground that can cause a slight injury or any condition that may not cause injury but does not meet either the Guidelines in the CPSC "Handbook for Public Playground Safety" or the ASTM F1487 "Standard Consumer Safety Performance Specifications for Playground Equipment for Public Use."

MAINTENANCE: Repairs needed or recommendations for improvement

STRUCTURAL STABILITY

When properly installed as directed by the manufacturer's instructions and specifications, equipment should withstand the maximum anticipated forces generated by active use which might cause it to overturn, tip, slide or move in any way.

Stability of play equipment is tested by digging around equipment footings and checking for deterioration or signs of movement that would indicate structural instability.

SURFACING

DEPTH:

The surfacing under and around the playground equipment can be a major factor in determining the injury causing potential of a fall. A fall onto a shock-absorbing surface is less likely to cause a serious injury than a fall onto a hard compacted surface. Inadequate surfacing material is usually a CLASS A HAZARD depending on the surfacing material.

The depth of surfacing material is checked by digging down to the sub base in heavy wear and low wear areas.

USE ZONE:

The surface under and around a piece of equipment onto which a child falling from or exiting from the equipment would be expected to land. These areas are also designated for unrestricted circulation around the equipment.

Use Zone is checked on all equipment by measurements in accordance with CPSC quidelines.

CONDITION EXPLANATION

Equipment and surfacing conditions will be identified as "Good", "Fair" or "Poor". This is a general classification and will indicate:

Good * No Corrective action needed

Fair * Some corrective action needed

Poor * Extensive corrective action needed

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This playground is in fair condition. There are equipment and surface hazards and maintenance issues to address.

Overview

EQUIPMENT INVENTORY

Large Metal Composite Structure















Freestanding Equipment Handring Maze

GameTime



Spider Climber

Unknown







Curved Balance Beam

Unknown



Spin Seat (4 Spin Seats)

Unknown









3D Web Net



8ft. Swing Set #1(2Bay/3Belts/1Enc.Tot)
GameTime



GameTime

8ft. Swing Set #2 (3Bay/6Belts) (Unknown)



SURFACING MATERIAL



Engineered Wood Fiber

MANUFACTURER CONTACT INFORMATION

Play & Park Structures
430 Chestnut Street, Suite 300
Chattanooga, TN 37402
800-727-1907
www.parkstructures.com

GameTimePO Box 680121
Ft. Payne, AL 35968-0121
800-633-2394
www.gametime.com

GENERAL PLAYGROUND ENVIRONMENT F

Playground Condition:

FAIR

Ger	neral Site Conditions	<u>Condition</u>	<u>Hazard</u>	Recommendation
1	Playground Location at Facility	Park adjacent to ballfield		
	Number of footings in area	130		
2	Distance from roads and parking lots	5 feet		
3	Fencing-total, partial, height, type	Partial - 4ft. Chain link & 2ft. Guardrail		
4	Traffic or fence hazard	None		
5	Site conditions-level, hill, pitched	Slightly pitched		
6	Drainage Problems	None		
7	Encroachment of brush or poisonous plants-where	None		
8	Bees or insects/animals noted	None		
9	Site Amenities-bench, TR, Table	Benches, Picnic Tables, TR		
	Condition	Good		
10	Border/Edging-type Condition of edging	Concrete curb & Grass Good		
11	Shade structure or shade	Roof, Shade Panels, Trees		
12	Signage			
	Age Appropriate Signs/Stickers?	Yes		
	Equipment Age Appropriate, 2-5, 5-12	5-12 years		
	Adult Supervision sign or sticker?	Yes		
	Warning Signs installed?			
	Hard Surface	Yes		
	Heat	Yes		
	Drawstring/Strangulation	Yes		

Ge	neral Site Conditions	<u>Condition</u>	<u>Hazard</u>	Recommendation
	Surface Marker signs on uprights?	Yes		
	Playground Rules & General Information Sign?	No	Maint.	See Notes
13	Accessibility Accessible Entrance 36" wide ?	Yes		
	Accessible path 60" wide to play area?	Yes		
	Accessible surface in use zone?	Yes		

Notes:

It is recommended that signs be installed indicating playground rules and general information.

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	Hazard				
	Condition	Priority	Recommendation		
Large Metal Composite Structure (Play	y & Park Structures)				
Components					
Transfer Platform	Good				
Single Access Step (2)	Good				
Decks (9)	Disc plate at center of	Maint.	Monitor		
	Hex Deck loose				
Roofs (1)	Good				
Roof Panels (3)	Good				
"L" Slide	Good				
Apex Climber (2)	Good				
Low Slide	Good				
Drum Panel	Good				
Storefront Panel (below)	Good				
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Chime Panel (below)	Good				
Post Mounted Chime	Good				
Arch Bridge	Good				
Corkscrew Climber	Good				
Sign Language Panel	Good				
Rung Ladder (3)	Good				
Poly Barrier w/ Steering	Good				
Wheel					
Ramps (3)	Good				
Overhead Wheels	Good				
Chin Up Bars (2)	Good				
Stairs (2)	Low guardrail (26"H) at	С	Consult manufacturer -		
()	stairs 48" to 84" deck		replace with barrier rails		
Vertical Loop Climber	Good		•		
Sliding Pole	Good				
Mirror Panel	One bolt missing at	Maint.	Replace one bolt		
	bracket		'		
Overhead Trapeze	Ten "S" Hooks worn	В	Replace ten "S" Hooks		
Rings (10)					
Overhead Roundabout	Good				
Curved Cargo Net	Good				
Standing Spinner	Good				
Barrier w/ Single Rung	One head entrapment	В	Adjust/close gaps		
Access Step	between barrier & post	_	,		
Access Number Game	Good				
Access Driver Panel	Good				
Balcony (2)	Good				
Max Climb Cable	Good				
Climber	3 500				

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		Condition	Hazard Priority	Recommendation
Max Climb Wall	_	Good		
Spiral Climber		Good		
Vertical Curved Ladder		Good		
Poly Barrier		Good		
Center Gizmo Spinner		Good		
Wiggle Wave Climber		Good		
Vertical Rock Wall		Good		
Triple Cascade Slide		Good		
Bench Seat (below)		Good		
Table (below)		Good		
Surfacing	EWF 6-12"	Low in spots	Maint.	Rake to level area to 9- 12" throughout
Use Zone		Good		
Structural Stability		Good		
Freestanding Equipment				
Handring Maze (GameTin	ne)	Good		
Surfacing	EWF 12+"	Good		
Use Zone		Good		
Structural Stability		Good		
Spider Climber (Unknown	n)	Good		
Surfacing	EWF 10-12"	Good		
Use Zone		Good		
Structural Stability		Good		

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Curved Balance Beam (Unknown)		Good		
Surfacin	g EWF 8"	Good		
Use Zon	е	Good		
Structural Stabilit	у	Good		
Spin Seat (4) (Unknow	vn)	Good		
Surfacin	g EWF 4-12"	Low around spinners	Maint.	Rake to level to 8-9" around 6ft. use zone
Use Zon	е	Good		
Structural Stabilit	у	Good		
3D Web Net (GameTim	ne)	Good		
Surfacin	g EWF 10-12"	Good		
Use Zon	е	Good		
Structural Stabilit	у	Good		
8ft. Swing Set #1 2Bay/3Belts/1Enc.Tot		Encl. Tot seat in same bay with belt seat	С	Encl. tot seats may not be in same bay as belt seats
(GameTime)				
Surfacin	g EWF 12+"	Good		
Use Zon	е	Good		
Structural Stabilit	y	Good		

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			Hazard	
		Condition	Priority	Recommendation
8ft. Swing Set #2 (3Bay/6Belts) (Unknown)		Six belt seats worn Twelve bottom "S" Hooks worn	A A	Replace six belt seats Replace twelve bottom "S" Hooks with clevises
		Chains starting to wear	Maint.	Recommend replacing all chain & adding twelve top clevises
Surfacing	EWF 2-12"	Insufficient at sides	В	Add EWF to side use zones, 6ft. from frame 9- 12" deep
		No wear mats under belt seats	С	See Notes
Use Zone		Inadequate at 15ft. in front, 12ft. in back, and 5ft. at sides	В	Extend use zone to 16ft. in front, 16ft. in back & 6ft. on sides
		Overhanging branches	Maint.	Cut back to 7ft. from unit & trim branches hanging in use zone
Structural Stability		Good		

Notes:

There are no wear mats under the swing seats. ADA requires wear mats for accessibility and the prevention of "holes" under the swings.

It is the playground owner's responsibility to maintain the test results for the safety surfacing showing that the depth is appropriate for the fall height of the equipment in the playground.

Hazard and Maintenance Pictures

Large Metal Composite Structure (Play & Park Structures)

Decks (9) - Disc plate at center of Hex Deck loose - MAINTENANCE





Stairs (2) - Low guardrail (26"H) at stairs 48" to 84" deck - CLASS C HAZARD









Mirror Panel - One bolt missing at bracket - MAINTENANCE





Overhead Trapeze Rings (10) - Ten "S" Hooks worn - CLASS B HAZARD









Barrier w/ Single Rung Access Step - One head entrapment between barrier & post - CLASS B HAZARD











8ft. Swing Set #1 (2 bay, 3 belt, 1 Enc Tot) Encl. Tot seat in same bay as belt seat - CLASS C HAZARD



8ft. Swing Set #2 (3Bay/6Belts)(Unknown) - Six belt seats worn - CLASS A HAZARD









8ft. Swing Set #2 (Unknown) - Twelve bottom "S" Hooks worn - CLASS A HAZARD



8ft. Swing Set #2 (3Bay/6Belts) - Chains starting to wear - MAINTENANCE



Surfacing - Insufficient at sides - CLASS B HAZARD





Surfacing - No wear mats under belt seats - CLASS C HAZARD



Use Zone - Inadequate, 15ft. in front, 12ft. in back & 5ft. on sides - CLASS B HAZARD













Use Zone - Overhanging branches - MAINTENANCE



