

Inspection Frequency Form

Playground Name/ID Number _____

Form Completed By _____ Date _____

Factors	Possible Points	Points Given
A. Use Factors		
1. Vandalism (Abuse)		
High	10	
Moderate	5	
Low	2	
2. Use Level (Community Use, Litter, etc.)		
High	10	
Moderate	5	
Low	2	
3. Age Design		
Preschool age (2-5 years)	2	
School age (6-12 years)	4	
All ages (2-12 years)	10	
Use Factors Total	30	
B. Materials		
1. Resilient Surfacing		
Loose Materials	12	
Synthetic Material	2	
2. Material (Major Components)		
Wood, Painted Steel	4	
Stabilized Plastics, Aluminum, Gal. Steel	2	
Stainless Steel	0	
3. Equipment		
Moving (swing, spin around, spring rider, etc.)	6	
Static (Non-moving climbers)	2	
Both	6	

Factors	Possible Points	Points Given
B. Materials (contd.)		
4. Age of Equipment		
1-2 years old	0	
3-4 years old	3	
5-9 years old	6	
10-14 years old	9	
15 years old and over	12	
Materials Factors Total	34	
C. Environmental Factors		
1. Acid Soils/Rain/pH		
None (6-9)	0	
Moderate (10, 11, 4, 5)	4	
High (Acid 1-3, Basic 12-14)	8	
2. Salt Air (Coastal Exposure)		
None	0	
Moderate	4	
High	8	
3. Sun Exposure		
None	0	
Moderate	4	
High	8	
4. Drainage		
Functioning underground drainage system	0	
Moist Surface	4	
Seasonal Flooding	8	
Routine Standing Water	12	
Environmental Factors Total	36	
Total Points for Site	100	

IMPORTANT: This information has been prepared to assist the playground owner's attorney in defending potential litigation. DO NOT release to any person except an owner's official or designated claim representative or an investigating police officer.

Inspection Frequency Summary Form for All Owner's Sites

Key to Inspection Frequency Chart		
Points	High Frequency Inspections	Low Frequency Inspections
71 or more	2 or more times per week	2-3 times per month
56-70	Weekly	Monthly
41-55	Biweekly	Bimonthly
40 and below	Monthly	Seasonal

Once the Inspection Frequency Form has been completed for each playground site, the results can be transferred to the blank Inspection Frequency Summary Form (Appendix A) so that all sites can be evaluated collectively. The total points for each site can then be compared to the key to Inspection Frequency Chart (above), which will assist in determining the most appropriate High and Low Frequency Inspection schedule.

Local conditions may include other factors and in some cases affect seasonal adjustments to the schedule. The owner/operator's local knowledge and experience is the best guide.

Inspection Frequency Summary Form (Sample)

	Factors Evaluated					
Playground Site Name	Use Factors	Material	Environmental	Points Given	High Freq. Inspection	Low Freq. Inspection
1.						
2.						
3.						
4.						
5.						
6.						
7.						
8.						
9.						
10.						