

MCLB ALBANY SAFETYGRAM

NATIONAL PLAYGROUND SAFETY WEEK APRIL 19-25

Are Our Playgrounds S.A.F.E.! Let's Find Out!



Help us determine if your playground is safe!

Check YES or NO in each box to determine whether or not your playground has problems.

The National Program for Playground Safety



America's playgrounds. Make them safe.



	Supervision	Age Appropriate	Fall Surfacing	Equipment Maintenance
R E D Most Serious May Cause Death	Are adults at the playgrounds? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO Adults should always be at the playground if children are there.	Are the play areas separated? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO There should be separate play areas provided for toddlers (under age 2), preschoolers (ages 2-5), and grade school (ages 5-12).	Does the surface have appropriate materials? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO Appropriate materials are sand, pea gravel, wood products, shredded rubber, rubber mats or poured-in-place rubber.	Are there any gaps on play equipment? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO Gaps on play equipment should not be capable of entangling children's clothing because such entanglement can cause strangulation.
W H I T E Very Serious May Cause Serious Injury	Can adults see children in crawl spaces? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO Crawl spaces are places where children can hide.	Is the equipment being used by appropriate age group? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO Equipment should only be used by age group designated for.	Are the materials under and around play equipment? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO Sand, pea gravel, wood products, or shredded rubber should be under and around play equipment.	Is the equipment in good condition? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO The equipment should not have any broken parts, sharp edges or corners.
B L U E Serious May Cause Minor Injury	Are there rules posted? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO Rules should be posted at the playground of what children should and should not do.	Are signs posted about supervision and separation of equipment? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO There should be signs about adult supervision and separation of play areas (under 2, 2-5 and 5-12).	Is the playground environment clean? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO The playground area should not have garbage and debris on the ground.	Is the equipment surface smooth? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO The playground should have no rust or splinters on the equipment.



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