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Annual Inspection

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Inspection Scope for RPII Inspection Methodology

This document outlines the RPII scope for inspections undertaken by the Inspectors listed as Annual Inspectors on the RPII Register of Inspectors when undertaking Indoor Annual, Outdoor Annual, Outdoor Operational and Outdoor Routine inspections.

Inspections are undertaken with reference to the standards listed in this preamble only; where no date for the standard is given it will be the standard that is current at the time of inspection except where overlap periods are granted by the standards committee when standards are updated. The information contained in reports is provided to assist the owner/operator in fulfilling their responsibilities as detailed in the relevant standard. Other standards referenced within the listed standards do not form part of the inspection, unless they are also explicitly listed here.

The following standards are relevant to all installations of equipment that are publicly accessible to users; this includes public parks, pay and play parks, schools, nurseries, public houses, holiday parks, indoor play centres, farm parks etc. All equipment used or employed in publicly accessible areas should meet with the requirements of the relevant standards (listed below):

BS EN 1176 Parts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10 & 11 Playground equipment intended for permanent installation outdoors & indoors.

BS EN 1176 Part 7 - 'Guidance on Installation, Inspection, Maintenance and Operation' (this document gives guidance to the owners/operators of the facility on the installation, inspection, maintenance and operation of playground equipment, excluding ancillary items).

In the United Kingdom the National Foreword forms an important part to the understanding and implementation of the recommendations set out in this document. It clarifies the application of the document within the UK as best practice guidance, as the document has been used since its initial publication. Therefore, in the UK this standard (BS EN 1176 – Part 7) contains no requirements and needs to be read and implemented as guidance, with the use of the term 'shall' therefore becoming a recommendation, as in the term 'should'.

Domestic play equipment falls outside of the scope of BS EN 1176 and has its own standards (BS EN 71 series – Safety of Toys). Where domestic equipment can be identified this will be acknowledged in the report but any comments concerning compliance will follow the requirements and recommendations of BS EN 1176.

When water play items, including spray parks, are inspected any comments concerning compliance within the inspection will refer to BS EN 1176. We have not assessed these against the requirements of BS EN 17232 (Water play equipment and features).

Other equipment that is not clearly identified as unsupervised or domestic (natural play, self-build equipment etc.) will be assessed for compliance with the relevant standard listed below:

BS EN 15312 Free access multi-sports equipment
BS EN 14974 Skateparks
BS EN 16630 Permanently installed outdoor fitness equipment
BS EN 16899 Parkour equipment (plus RPII/API guidance notes)

Annual and Post Installation inspections will take into consideration compliance with these current standards, and defects related to wear and vandalism. Items not listed in the report have not been included in the inspection. The inspection will cover the playground equipment and the active area (that area which is obviously part of the playground), nominally up to three metres around, the fence line if closer, or other areas as agreed.

Operational inspections only take into consideration defects related to cleanliness, equipment ground clearances, ground surface finishes, exposed foundations, sharp edges, missing parts, excessive wear (of moving parts) structural integrity, wear and vandalism.

Routine visual inspections relate only to the most obvious defects such as broken or missing parts, litter, vandalism and issues created by severe weather conditions (the intention is to identify hazards created by storm damage).

All inspections are non-dismantling, non-destructive and do not include any structural, toxicology or impact assessments defined in the standard; however, the inspector will undertake a manual test for stability and if equipment fails under manual load, or any other hazard is identified as an unacceptable risk, the owner/operator will be notified as soon as practicably possible.

The inspector will access all reasonably accessible equipment and will assess all reasonably accessible parts above the standing surface. Where it is not possible to access parts of the equipment without employing an alternative means of access the report will record the action required by the owner/operator to ensure the continued safe use of the equipment.

Ancillary equipment will be assessed using the inspector's knowledge and experience of the standards named in this document. (Note: Ancillary items are not included in the specific equipment-type parts of the EN 1176 series; hence they are not assessed for compliance with EN 1176 series and are subject to a general safety assessment).

The owner/operator is responsible for the overall safety of the equipment and area.

The inspector will not undertake any of the following works unless specifically agreed in writing at the time of order:

Checking the depth and underlying structural integrity of any surface areas and/or carrying out any testing of the impact attenuating properties of any surfaces; the identification of any corrosion, rot or other deterioration in any apparatus or equipment other than by an external inspection; the inspection of any equipment (or part thereof) that is beneath the playing surface (loose-fill materials may be moved to expose foundations); tightening any bolts, hinges or other fixing devices on any apparatus or equipment; assessing or inspecting any electrical installations contained on any site and/or apparatus and/or equipment; assessing or inspecting any water supplies and/or water features and/or any associated computerised systems (including carrying out any programming); where planting or trees are mentioned in the report no assessments of toxicity, suitability or condition are undertaken – the owner/operator should have suitable inspections provided by a competent person.

The owner/operator should have a 'design risk assessment' provided by the manufacturer/designer of the area for the equipment and location in which the facility is installed.

The operator is responsible for managing risks of their provision and is required by law to carry out a 'suitable and sufficient assessment' of the risks associated with a site or activity. This inspection shall be considered as contributing to the operator's discharge of this responsibility.

The details contained within the report are a snapshot of the condition at the time of inspection only and subsequent events may affect the condition of the facility. Suggested remedial actions are based on the knowledge and experience of the inspector and/or that of the inspection company. The owner/operator should always seek the advice of the manufacturer or a competent person when undertaking repairs and/or modifications to equipment.

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The operator is responsible for following the guidance of the relevant standards. The standards give guidance on the installation, inspection, maintenance and operation of the various types of facilities. The inspection guidance is listed in Table 1, with an indication of which parts will be included in an RPII Annual or Post-Installation Inspection. The relevant standards also contain additional parts which the operator should follow.

Inspection recommendations of relevant standards Refer to relevant standards for full text	Annual Main	RPII Annual/ Post Installation Inspection
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of equipment (see note 1)	✓	✓ [1]
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of foundations (see note 1)	✓	✓ [1]
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of playing surfaces (see note 2)	✓	✓ [2]
6.1 d) Compliance with the relevant parts of the standard and or risk assessment (see note 3)	✓	✓ [3]
6.1 d) Effects of weather	✓	✓
6.1 d) Presence of rot, decay or corrosion (see note 1)	✓	✓ [1]
6.1 d) Assessment of repairs made or added or replaced components (see note 4)	✓	✓ [4]
6.1 d) Excavation or dismantling/additional measures	✓	✗
6.2.1 Assessment of glass reinforced plastics (see note 5)	✓	✓ [5]
6.2.1 Inspection of one post equipment (see note 1)	✓	✓ [1]
6.2.4 Undertaking the Operators inspection protocol	✓	✗

NB: The clause numbers in table 1 are taken from BS EN 1176 - Part 7:2020. The content is equally applicable to all other relevant standards listed herein. Playgrounds contain a range of equipment from different manufacturers and installed over a number of years; operators should implement any guidance provided by the manufacturer. Item specific detail is not readily available to RPII Playground Inspectors, whose report contributes to the operator's overall Annual Main Inspection as detailed in the relevant standards.

[1] A manual test only is undertaken for stability. Wear and instability are only detectable where readily apparent without dismantling or destruction and without the use of tools, excavation or specialist equipment. Rot and corrosion are tested or with a hammer and/or steel rod. Decay in timber may exist which can only be found with specialist equipment.

[2] Only the visible condition and dimensional compliance of surface extent is considered. Neither testing of impact attenuating properties nor measurement of the thickness of bound surfaces are undertaken on RPII annual inspections.

[3] The inspection assesses compliance where this can be tested on site using manual methods without dismantling, destruction and without the use of tools or specialist equipment.

[4] The operator should use manufacturer's recommended parts, or equivalent. We are unable to verify if such parts have been used, and any subsequent change in quality or performance.

[5] Visible glass fibres will be noted in reports. The operator is responsible for repairs or replacement.

Risk Assessment Matrix

			Scores in the report are multiplication factors of Likelihood x Severity					
			Severity>>					
Likelihood	Very High probability, if the situation is not addressed an accident is almost certain.	5	Very High	VL (5)	L (10)	M (15)	H (20)	VH (25)
	High probability an accident is probable without any added factor.	4	High	VL (4)	L (8)	M (12)	H (16)	H (20)
	Moderate probability an incident is foreseeable.	3	Moderate	VL (3)	L (6)	L (9)	M (12)	M (15)
	Some probability, requires a combination of factors to take place.	2	Low	VL (2)	VL (4)	L (6)	L (8)	L (10)
	No significant probability; lightning strike, freak accident.	1	Very Low	VL (1)	VL (2)	VL (3)	VL (4)	VL (5)
				Very Low	Low	Moderate	High	Very High
				1	2	3	4	5
				No injury likely e.g. damaged or soiled clothing, minor bruising, grazes	Minor injury, laceration or bruising requiring first aid only	Injury requiring medical intervention e.g. cuts requiring stitches	Serious injury including concussions or fracture of long bones	Severe injury involving a potential life changing injury or fatality
				Severity>>				
Note 1: The total risk scores included within our reports are a multiplication factor of the calculated Likelihood and Severity of each finding. Both Likelihood and Severity are given a number between 1 - 5 as shown on the matrix above and these two numbers are then multiplied together to give the total risk score that is shown against defects on the report. Total risk scores can be divided in both directions, i.e. a total risk score of 12 could be a Likelihood (3) x Severity (4) or Likelihood (4) x Severity (3).								
Note 2: When we inspect we only see a snapshot of the current condition of the equipment. It is the operators responsibility to ensure that there is a continuing level of maintenance to keep the equipment in good working order and the site fit for use.								

Equipment has been assessed to the following standards where relevant:

BS EN 1176 Parts 1-11 (Playground equipment and surfacing)
 BS EN 14974 (Facilities for users of roller sports equipment)
 BS EN 15312 (Free access multi-sports equipment)
 BS EN 16899 (Parkour Equipment)
 BS EN 16630 (Outdoor Fitness Equipment).



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Inspection Ref: 2249508

Site Ref: 54435

Inspected: 20-December-2023 - 09:45 by Kyle Warrington (RPII Annual Inspector)

Risk Assessment: 12 Moderate Risk

**Location:**

The site is partially overlooked by properties in the local community

Disabled Access:

Some accessible features; an area that presents difficulties to the majority of people with disabilities but in favourable circumstances and certainly in partnership can be accessed.

10 - Low Risk

Item: Site General
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface Type: Mixed Surface
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Total Findings: 4



Finding 1

The loose fill surfacing has become displaced around some of the equipment - Reinstate the surface

Finding 2

There are areas or parts of the timber edging that have rotted - Replace all affected timbers

Finding 3

There is weed / vegetation growth on, between, or around the edges of the surfacing - Remove weed / vegetation growth

Finding 4

There is algae, silt or moss growth on the surface resulting in slippery conditions - Clean and treat appropriately

4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Sign
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface Type: N/A
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -

i 6 - Low Risk

Item: Litter Bin
Manufacturer: Broxap
Surface Type: Gravel
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding - Treat affected areas and repaint

i 6 - Low Risk

Item: Gate - Self Closing
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Wet Pour
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Total Findings: 2



Finding 1

The gate is not operating correctly - Take effective action to ensure the gate closes between 4 and 8 seconds

Finding 2

The rubber buffer is missing from the latch plate - Replace rubber buffer

i 6 - Low Risk

Item: Fencing - Flat Top
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Grass
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

There is some damage to the fence sections - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

i 6 - Low Risk

Item: Bench
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Wet Pour
Item Quantity: 2
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

Parts of the timber are rough or splintered - Remove all rough or sharp edges

10 - Low Risk

Item: 1 Bay 1 Seat (Cradle) - Type 1
Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd
Surface Type: Wet Pour
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Total Findings: 5



Finding 1

BS EN 1176 requires an additional 0.5m of unobstructed space at each end of the swing surfacing area. This is a relatively low risk finding and no remedial action is recommended at this point. - Monitor - No remedial work recommended

Finding 2

Parts of the timber are rough or splintered - Remove all rough or sharp edges

Finding 3

There is algae or moss on the surface of the equipment - Clean and treat appropriately

Finding 4

The seat is damaged and requires replacing - Replace damaged seat

Finding 5

There is some notable evidence of chain wear - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace when 40% worn

6 - Low Risk

Item: Spring Elephant
Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd
Surface Type: Wet Pour
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

The paintwork on the spring has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting - Treat any rusting components and repaint

i 6 - Low Risk

Item: Spring Bike
Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd
Surface Type: Wet Pour
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

The paintwork on the spring has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting - Treat any rusting components and repaint

i 4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Rope Climber
Manufacturer: Huck Nets (UK) Ltd
Surface Type: Sand
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -

9 - Low Risk

Item: Basket Roundabout
Manufacturer: Huck Nets (UK) Ltd
Surface Type: Woodchip
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Total Findings: 2



Finding 1

The rubber rim cover is missing exposing sharp edges -
Replace the rim cover

Finding 2

The ropes/nets are worn/damaged in places - Monitor for
any further deterioration and repair or replace as required

10 - Low Risk

Item: Single Point Swing - Type 3
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds
Surface Type: Woodchip
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Total Findings: 3



Finding 1

The exposed stone sub base forms a hard object within the
impact area of the equipment in contravention of the
requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - Top up loose fill to
correct levels to cover the sub base

Finding 2

The connecting links are in excess of 8.6mm and less than
12mm and fail the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1;
clause 4.2.13, Chains - Monitor - No remedial work
recommended

Finding 3

There is some notable evidence of chain wear - Monitor for
any further deterioration and replace when 40% worn

i 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken

Item: Feature
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Grass
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

The fixings or components for this item were in excess of 2.5m above the standing surface and could not be fully accessed by the inspector. We have completed a visual inspection of the fixings from ground level but a maintenance inspection should be undertaken to assess the condition, security and wear of the components at intervals in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations. - Inspect in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations

i 8 - Low Risk

Item: Kickabout Wall
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Grass
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Total Findings: 6



Finding 1

The surface has eroded in some areas and may be slippery in wet conditions - Reinstate the surface

Finding 3

There is some evidence of rot in the timber - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

Finding 5

There is some strimmer / machinery damage apparent on the posts, this can penetrate the preservative applied to the timber and accelerate the rotting process - Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required

Finding 2

There is algae or moss on the surface of the equipment - Clean and treat appropriately

Finding 4

The surface is damaged and subsiding exposing timber edging - Replace

Finding 6

There is or are fixings missing on the item - Replace all missing fixings

! 12 - Moderate Risk

Item: Totem Pole
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Grass
Item Quantity: 2
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Total Findings: 3



Finding 1

This item of equipment relies on a single post, or a line of posts, for stability and extra care needs to be taken with equipment of this nature to avoid the potential for catastrophic failure - Ensure that regular detailed inspections are undertaken to assess for rot, corrosion and general stability

Finding 3

There are areas or parts of 1x timber post on the that have rotted - Replace all affected timbers

Finding 2

There is some evidence of rot in the timber - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

i 8 - Low Risk

Item: Misc Item
Manufacturer: Richter Spielgerate GmbH (DE)
Surface Type: Grass
Item Quantity: 2
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Total Findings: 2



Finding 1

The surface has eroded and the foundations are exposed - Reinstate surrounding surfaces to cover the foundations

Finding 2

There is some graffiti present - Remove the graffiti

! 12 - Moderate Risk

Item: Embankment Slide
Manufacturer: Richter Spielgerate GmbH (DE)
Surface Type: Bonded Rubber Mulch
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Total Findings: 4



Finding 1

There are trip hazards at the edges of the surface - Reinststate surrounding surface levels to remove the trip points

Finding 3

The boulder forms a hard object within the free space of the equipment in contravention of the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - Monitor - No remedial work recommended

Finding 2

There are areas or parts of the timber on the structure that have rotted - Replace all affected timbers

Finding 4

There are a number of dents in the slide surface - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

i 8 - Low Risk

Item: Steps
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface Type: N/A
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Total Findings: 7



Finding 1

The timber has a number of splits/shakes or air cracks and this may affect the stability or allow water ingress which will accelerate the rotting process - Monitor to ensure the splits do not cross through fixing points of the structure and/or cause any instability

Finding 3

There is some evidence of rot in the timber - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

Finding 5

The surface has eroded and the foundations are exposed - Reinstate surrounding surfaces to cover the foundations

Finding 7

The item is slightly loose in its foundations - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

Finding 2

There are trip hazards present - Reinstate surrounding surfaces to level to remove the trip points

Finding 4

The item has missing component(s) - Consider replacing missing components

Finding 6

There is some evidence of rot in the timber posts - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

i 10 - Low Risk

Item: Bridge
Manufacturer: Richter Spielgerate GmbH (DE)
Surface Type: Grass
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Total Findings: 6



Finding 1

The grass has eroded within the impact area of the equipment and may not provide the necessary impact attenuating properties for the equipment fall height; the surface may also be slippery in wet weather - Reinstate the grass or provide an all weather surface

Finding 2

There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged on the item - Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers

Finding 3

The ropes/nets are worn/damaged in places - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair or replace as required

Finding 4

The adjacent item forms a hard object within the falling space of the equipment in contravention of the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - Monitor - No remedial work recommended

Finding 5

The timber has a number of splits/shakes or air cracks and this may affect the stability or allow water ingress which will accelerate the rotting process - Monitor to ensure the splits do not cross through fixing points of the structure and/or cause any instability

Finding 6

There are areas or parts of the timber post tops that have rotted - Replace all affected timbers

! 12 - Moderate Risk

Item: Tree Trunk
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface Type: Bonded Rubber Mulch
Item Quantity: 6
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Total Findings: 2



Finding 1

Fungus or algae was found on the equipment - Remove fungi or algae from the equipment

Finding 2

There are areas or parts of the timber on the structure that have rotted - Replace all affected timbers

i 10 - Low Risk

Item: Boulders
Manufacturer: Natural Feature
Surface Type: Grass
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Total Findings: 3



Finding 1

The rocks and/or boulders have moss/algae growth apparent - Clean and maintain

Finding 2

The step between the items is quite large and users may not be able to complete the step without touching ground, the items could therefore be considered to be within the falling space of each other, however the intention of the play activity continuity is easily apparent and foreseeable to the user - Monitor - No remedial work recommended

Finding 3

There are multiple areas where adjacent boulders form hard objects in the impact area of other boulders in contravention of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - Monitor the risk assessment regularly and modify the design if required

i 10 - Low Risk

Item: Stepping Stones
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface Type: Grass
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Total Findings: 4



Finding 1

There is algae or moss on the surface of the equipment - Clean and treat appropriately

Finding 2

There are areas or parts of the timber on the structure that have rotted - Replace all affected timbers

Finding 3

The adjacent item forms a hard object within the falling space of the equipment in contravention of the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - Monitor - No remedial work recommended

Finding 4

Parts of the timber are rough or splintered - Remove all rough or sharp edges

! 12 - Moderate Risk

Item: Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)
Manufacturer: S M P (Playgrounds Ltd)
Surface Type: Bitmac
Item Quantity: 2
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Total Findings: 14



Finding 1

A clearly visible facility sign should be provided in a prominent position with the wording as detailed BS EN 15312- the equipment is not intended for children less than 3 years old- the warning - Do not climb on the framework or nets- the warning - Do not hang on the ring (if provided)- the warning - Do not wear rings or other jewellery- name and telephone number of the administrator- number to call in case of accident - Provide signage to BS EN 15312

Finding 3

There is or are fixings missing on the backboard - Replace all missing fixings

Finding 5

There is some graffiti present - Remove the graffiti

Finding 7

There is/are finger entrapments in the frame due to missing inserts and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 15312 Clause 4.4.2.2 Entrapment of fingers - Replace the missing inserts to remove the entrapment

Finding 9

There is algae, silt or moss growth on the surface resulting in slippery conditions - Clean and treat appropriately

Finding 11

The item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 15312 4.4.2.1 head and neck entrapment in the frame - Monitor - No remedial work recommended

Finding 13

The fence is severely damaged in places - Repair or replace all affected sections

Finding 2

There is some evidence of fire damage to the surfacing - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

Finding 4

Cable ties have been used on the hoops - Remove

Finding 6

There is/are finger entrapments in the frame and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 15312 Clause 4.4.2.2 Entrapment of fingers - Monitor - No remedial work recommended

Finding 8

There is or are fixings missing on the backboard - Replace all missing fixings

Finding 10

The fence is severely damaged in places - Repair or replace all affected sections

Finding 12

There is or are fixings missing on the item - Replace all missing fixings

Finding 14

There are a number of fixings missing from the fence - Replace missing fixings

Findings information

8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Ancillary Items - Site General
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Mixed Surface



Finding: The loose fill surfacing has become displaced around some of the equipment

Action: Reinstall the surface

i 10 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Ancillary Items - Site General
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Mixed Surface



Finding: There are areas or parts of the timber edging that have rotted

Action: Replace all affected timbers

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Ancillary Items - Site General
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Mixed Surface



Finding: There is weed / vegetation growth on, between, or around the edges of the surfacing
Action: Remove weed / vegetation growth

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Ancillary Items - Site General
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Mixed Surface



Finding: There is algae, silt or moss growth on the surface resulting in slippery conditions
Action: Clean and treat appropriately

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Ancillary Items - Litter Bin
Manufacturer: Broxap

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Gravel



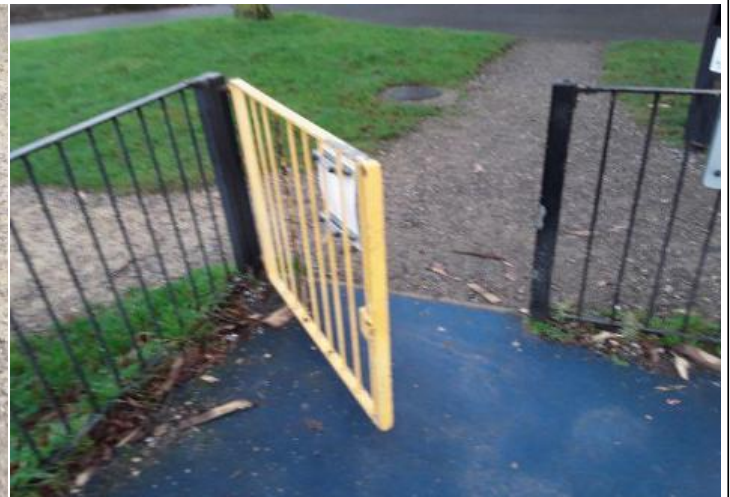
Finding: The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding

Action: Treat affected areas and repaint

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Gates - Gate - Self Closing
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: The gate is not operating correctly

Action: Take effective action to ensure the gate closes between 4 and 8 seconds

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Gates - Gate - Self Closing
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: The rubber buffer is missing from the latch plate

Action: Replace rubber buffer

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Fences - Fencing - Flat Top
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: There is some damage to the fence sections

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Ancillary Items - Bench
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: Parts of the timber are rough or splintered

Action: Remove all rough or sharp edges

i 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 1 Seat (Cradle) - Type 1
Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: BS EN 1176 requires an additional 0.5m of unobstructed space at each end of the swing surfacing area. This is a relatively low risk finding and no remedial action is recommended at this point.

Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 1 Seat (Cradle) - Type 1
Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: Parts of the timber are rough or splintered

Action: Remove all rough or sharp edges

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 1 Seat (Cradle) - Type 1
Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: There is algae or moss on the surface of the equipment

Action: Clean and treat appropriately

i 10 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 1 Seat (Cradle) - Type 1
Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: The seat is damaged and requires replacing

Action: Replace damaged seat

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 1 Seat (Cradle) - Type 1
Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: There is some notable evidence of chain wear

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace when 40% worn

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Rocking Equipment - Spring Elephant
Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour

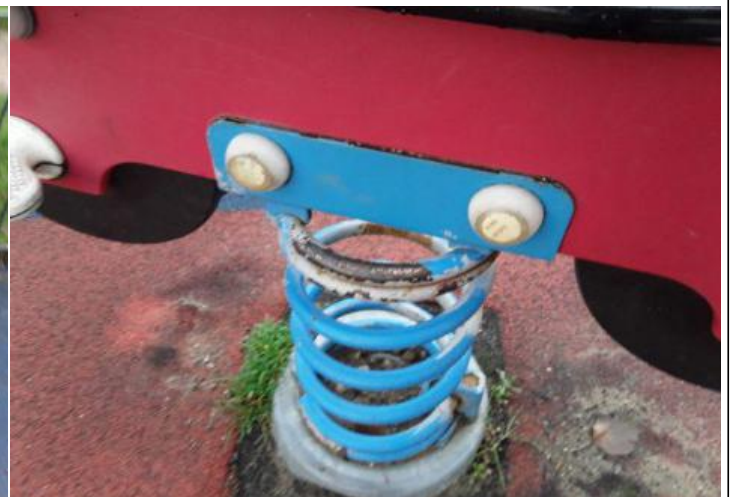


Finding: The paintwork on the spring has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting
Action: Treat any rusting components and repaint

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Rocking Equipment - Spring Bike
Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: The paintwork on the spring has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting
Action: Treat any rusting components and repaint

i 9 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Rotor Play - Basket Roundabout
Manufacturer: Huck Nets (UK) Ltd

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Woodchip



Finding: The rubber rim cover is missing exposing sharp edges

Action: Replace the rim cover

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Rotor Play - Basket Roundabout
Manufacturer: Huck Nets (UK) Ltd

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Woodchip



Finding: The ropes/nets are worn/damaged in places

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and repair or replace as required

i 10 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Swings - Single Point Swing - Type 3
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Woodchip



Finding: The exposed stone sub base forms a hard object within the impact area of the equipment in contravention of the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1

Action: Top up loose fill to correct levels to cover the sub base

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Swings - Single Point Swing - Type 3
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Woodchip



Finding: The connecting links are in excess of 8.6mm and less than 12mm and fail the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1; clause 4.2.13, Chains

Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Swings - Single Point Swing - Type 3
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Woodchip



Finding: There is some notable evidence of chain wear

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace when 40% worn

i 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 1)

Item: Ancillary Items - Feature
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: N - Risk Assessment not Undertaken
Surface: Grass



Finding: The fixings or components for this item were in excess of 2.5m above the standing surface and could not be fully accessed by the inspector. We have completed a visual inspection of the fixings from ground level but a maintenance inspection should be undertaken to assess the condition, security and wear of the components at intervals in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations.

Action: Inspect in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Kickabout Wall
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: The surface has eroded in some areas and may be slippery in wet conditions
Action: Reinstate the surface

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Kickabout Wall
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: There is algae or moss on the surface of the equipment
Action: Clean and treat appropriately

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Kickabout Wall
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: There is some evidence of rot in the timber

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Kickabout Wall
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: The surface is damaged and subsiding exposing timber edging

Action: Replace

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Kickabout Wall
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: There is some strimmer / machinery damage apparent on the posts, this can penetrate the preservative applied to the timber and accelerate the rotting process

Action: Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 6)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Kickabout Wall
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: There is or are fixings missing on the item

Action: Replace all missing fixings

i 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 1)

Item: Other - Totem Pole
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: N - Risk Assessment not Undertaken
Surface: Grass



Finding: This item of equipment relies on a single post, or a line of posts, for stability and extra care needs to be taken with equipment of this nature to avoid the potential for catastrophic failure
Action: Ensure that regular detailed inspections are undertaken to assess for rot, corrosion and general stability

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Other - Totem Pole
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: There is some evidence of rot in the timber
Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

! 12 - Moderate Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Other - Totem Pole
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: M - Moderate Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: There are areas or parts of 1x timber post on the that have rotted

Action: Replace all affected timbers

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Other - Misc Item
Manufacturer: Richter Spielgerate GmbH (DE)

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: The surface has eroded and the foundations are exposed

Action: Reinstate surrounding surfaces to cover the foundations

i 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 2)

Item: Other - Misc Item
Manufacturer: Richter Spielgerate GmbH (DE)

Risk Level: N - Risk Assessment not Undertaken
Surface: Grass



Finding: There is some graffiti present

Action: Remove the graffiti

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Other - Embankment Slide
Manufacturer: Richter Spielgerate GmbH (DE)

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Bonded Rubber Mulch



Finding: There are trip hazards at the edges of the surface

Action: Reinstate surrounding surface levels to remove the trip points

! 12 - Moderate Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Other - Embankment Slide
Manufacturer: Richter Spielgerate GmbH (DE)

Risk Level: M - Moderate Risk
Surface: Bonded Rubber Mulch



Finding: There are areas or parts of the timber on the structure that have rotted

Action: Replace all affected timbers

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Other - Embankment Slide
Manufacturer: Richter Spielgerate GmbH (DE)

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Bonded Rubber Mulch



Finding: The boulder forms a hard object within the free space of the equipment in contravention of the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1

Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended

i 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Other - Embankment Slide
Manufacturer: Richter Spielgerate GmbH (DE)

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Bonded Rubber Mulch



Finding: There are a number of dents in the slide surface

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Ancillary Items - Steps
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: N/A



Finding: The timber has a number of splits/shakes or air cracks and this may affect the stability or allow water ingress which will accelerate the rotting process

Action: Monitor to ensure the splits do not cross through fixing points of the structure and/or cause any instability

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Ancillary Items - Steps
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: N/A



Finding: There are trip hazards present

Action: Reinstate surrounding surfaces to level to remove the trip points

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Ancillary Items - Steps
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: N/A



Finding: There is some evidence of rot in the timber

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Ancillary Items - Steps
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: N/A



Finding: The item has missing component(s)

Action: Consider replacing missing components

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item: Ancillary Items - Steps
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: N/A



Finding: The surface has eroded and the foundations are exposed

Action: Reinststate surrounding surfaces to cover the foundations

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 6)

Item: Ancillary Items - Steps
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: N/A



Finding: There is some evidence of rot in the timber posts

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 7)

Item: Ancillary Items - Steps
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: N/A



Finding: The item is slightly loose in its foundations

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Activity Equipment - Bridge
Manufacturer: Richter Spielgerate GmbH (DE)

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: The grass has eroded within the impact area of the equipment and may not provide the necessary impact attenuating properties for the equipment fall height; the surface may also be slippery in wet weather

Action: Reinstate the grass or provide an all weather surface

i 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Activity Equipment - Bridge
Manufacturer: Richter Spielgerate GmbH (DE)

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged on the item

Action: Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Activity Equipment - Bridge
Manufacturer: Richter Spielgerate GmbH (DE)

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: The ropes/nets are worn/damaged in places

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and repair or replace as required

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Activity Equipment - Bridge
Manufacturer: Richter Spielgerate GmbH (DE)

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: The adjacent item forms a hard object within the falling space of the equipment in contravention of the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1

Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item: Activity Equipment - Bridge
Manufacturer: Richter Spielgerate GmbH (DE)

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: The timber has a number of splits/shakes or air cracks and this may affect the stability or allow water ingress which will accelerate the rotting process

Action: Monitor to ensure the splits do not cross through fixing points of the structure and/or cause any instability

i 10 - Low Risk (Finding 6)

Item: Activity Equipment - Bridge
Manufacturer: Richter Spielgerate GmbH (DE)

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: There are areas or parts of the timber post tops that have rotted

Action: Replace all affected timbers

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Other - Tree Trunk
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Bonded Rubber Mulch



Finding: Fungus or algae was found on the equipment

Action: Remove fungi or algae from the equipment

! 12 - Moderate Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Other - Tree Trunk
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: M - Moderate Risk
Surface: Bonded Rubber Mulch



Finding: There are areas or parts of the timber on the structure that have rotted

Action: Replace all affected timbers

i 10 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Other - Boulders
Manufacturer: Natural Feature

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: The rocks and/or boulders have moss/algae growth apparent

Action: Clean and maintain

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Other - Boulders
Manufacturer: Natural Feature

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: The step between the items is quite large and users may not be able to complete the step without touching ground, the items could therefore be considered to be within the falling space of each other, however the intention of the play activity continuity is easily apparent and foreseeable to the user

Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Other - Boulders
Manufacturer: Natural Feature

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: There are multiple areas where adjacent boulders form hard objects in the impact area of other boulders in contravention of BS EN 1176 Part 1

Action: Monitor the risk assessment regularly and modify the design if required

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Activity Equipment - Stepping Stones
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: There is algae or moss on the surface of the equipment

Action: Clean and treat appropriately

i 10 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Activity Equipment - Stepping Stones
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: There are areas or parts of the timber on the structure that have rotted

Action: Replace all affected timbers

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Activity Equipment - Stepping Stones
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: The adjacent item forms a hard object within the falling space of the equipment in contravention of the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1

Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Activity Equipment - Stepping Stones
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: Parts of the timber are rough or splintered

Action: Remove all rough or sharp edges

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)
Manufacturer: S M P (Playgrounds Ltd)
Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Bitmac



Finding: A clearly visible facility sign should be provided in a prominent position with the wording as detailed BS EN 15312- the equipment is not intended for children less than 3 years old- the warning - Do not climb on the framework or nets- the warning - Do not hang on the ring (if provided)- the warning - Do not wear rings or other jewellery- name and telephone number of the administrator- number to call in case of accident
Action: Provide signage to BS EN 15312

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)
Manufacturer: S M P (Playgrounds Ltd)

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Bitmac



Finding: There is some evidence of fire damage to the surfacing

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)
Manufacturer: S M P (Playgrounds Ltd)

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Bitmac



Finding: There is or are fixings missing on the backboard

Action: Replace all missing fixings

12 - Moderate Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)
Manufacturer: S M P (Playgrounds Ltd)
Risk Level: M - Moderate Risk
Surface: Bitmac



Finding: Cable ties have been used on the hoops

Action: Remove

0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 5)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)
Manufacturer: S M P (Playgrounds Ltd)
Risk Level: N - Risk Assessment not Undertaken
Surface: Bitmac



Finding: There is some graffiti present

Action: Remove the graffiti

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 6)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)
Manufacturer: S M P (Playgrounds Ltd)

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Bitmac



Finding: There is/are finger entrapments in the frame and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 15312 Clause 4.4.2.2 Entrapment of fingers

Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 7)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)
Manufacturer: S M P (Playgrounds Ltd)

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Bitmac



Finding: There is/are finger entrapments in the frame due to missing inserts and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 15312 Clause 4.4.2.2 Entrapment of fingers

Action: Replace the missing inserts to remove the entrapment

12 - Moderate Risk (Finding 8)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)
Manufacturer: S M P (Playgrounds Ltd)
Risk Level: M - Moderate Risk
Surface: Bitmac



Finding: There is or are fixings missing on the backboard
Action: Replace all missing fixings

8 - Low Risk (Finding 9)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)
Manufacturer: S M P (Playgrounds Ltd)
Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Bitmac



Finding: There is algae, silt or moss growth on the surface resulting in slippery conditions
Action: Clean and treat appropriately

i 10 - Low Risk (Finding 10)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)
Manufacturer: S M P (Playgrounds Ltd)

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Bitmac



Finding: The fence is severely damaged in places

Action: Repair or replace all affected sections

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 11)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)
Manufacturer: S M P (Playgrounds Ltd)

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk

Surface: Bitmac



Finding: The item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 15312 4.4.2.1 head and neck entrapment in the frame

Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 12)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)
Manufacturer: S M P (Playgrounds Ltd)

Risk Level: L - Low Risk

Surface: Bitmac



Finding: There is or are fixings missing on the item

Action: Replace all missing fixings

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 13)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)
Manufacturer: S M P (Playgrounds Ltd)

Risk Level: L - Low Risk

Surface: Bitmac



Finding: The fence is severely damaged in places

Action: Repair or replace all affected sections

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 14)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)
Manufacturer: S M P (Playgrounds Ltd)

Risk Level: L - Low Risk

Surface: Bitmac



Finding: There are a number of fixings missing from the fence

Action: Replace missing fixings