

Supervision	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Adults present	80	75	B-	C
Easily viewed	88	71	B+	C-
Crawl spaces	88	56	B+	F
Supervision rules posted	13	11	F	F
Overall Grade: Supervision			C+	D
Age-Appropriate Design	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Had separate areas	25	13	F	F
Signage for age group provided	0	0	F	F
Provided change of direction	100	89	A+	B+
Had guardrails	100	89	A+	B+
Prevented climbing outside the structure	88	56	B+	F
Supporting structure prevented climbing on	100	67	A+	D+
Overall Grade: Age - Appropriate Design			B	C-
Fall Surfacing	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Suitable materials provided	88	78	B+	C+
Heights of equipment 8 feet or lower	NA	100	NA	A+
Appropriate depth of loose fill	63	45	D-	F
Six foot use zone had appropriate surface	88	75	B+	C
Concrete footings were covered	100	78	A+	C+
Free of foreign objects	75	100	C	A+
Overall Grade: Fall Surfacing			B-	B-
Equipment Maintenance	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Free of broken parts	63	67	D-	D+
Free of missing parts	88	78	B+	C+
Free of protruding bolts	100	89	A+	B+
Free of noticeable gaps	100	67	A+	D+
Free of head entrapments	100	78	A+	C+
Free of rust	75	75	C	C
Free of splinter	100	100	A+	A+
Free of cracks/holes	100	100	A+	A+
Overall Grade: Equipment Maintenance			B+	B-

Playground Equipment Profile*		
Year of installation	2004	
Pre 1980	0%	
1981-1990	22%	
1991-1994	11%	
1995-1997	56%	
1998-present	11%	
Not available	NA	
Kinds of Equipment**	2000	2004
Slides	100%	100%
Swings	88%	78%
Horizontal ladders	38%	67%
Sliding poles	25%	22%
Chinning bars	25%	32%
Seesaws	13%	0%
Merry-go-rounds	63%	11%
Geodesic domes	50%	22%
<p>* The number in these columns indicates the percentages of the year of installation. These may contain a combination of different installation years at each playground site. NA represents percentages that are not available.</p> <p>** The numbers in these columns reflect percentages of equipment pieces were found.</p> <p>Grading Scale: A=90-100 B=80-89 C=70-79 D=60-69 F=59></p>		

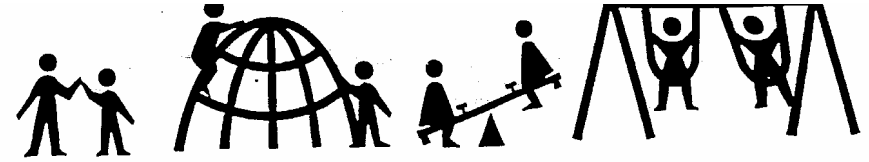
South Dakota's Park Grade:

2000

B+

2004

C



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