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| **Play Ground Accessibility Tool** | | | | | |
| PG1. | Name of Park: | | | | |
| PG1a. | Number of playgrounds assessed: | | | | |
| PG1b. | Name/location of playground: | | | | |
| **ENTRANCE AND GENERAL PLAYGROUND USE Yes No N/A Photo?** | | | | | |
| PG2. | Is there an accessible route of travel from the entrance to the play components? |  |  |  |  |
| PG2a. | Describe the surface of the route of travel: |  |  |  |  |
| PG3. | Is the playground enclosed by fencing? |  |  |  |  |
| PG4. | Are there any age restrictions on the use of this playground area? |  |  |  |  |
| PG5. | How many elements are present at this playground? \_\_\_\_\_ |  |  |  |  |
| PG6a. | Name of element 1: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |  |  |  |
| PG6a1. | Is there is an accessible route of travel from the entrance to this element? |  |  |  |  |
| PG6a2. | Is the ground cover beneath this element firm and stable? (poured surface, recycled rubber or engineered wood fiber)? Describe: |  |  |  |  |
| PG6a3. | If applicable, does this play element have accessible routes to ramps or transfer systems (transfer platform, transfer support, and transfer steps)? |  |  |  |  |
| PG6b. | Name of element 2: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |  |  |  |
| PG6b1. | Is there is an accessible route of travel from the entrance to this element? |  |  |  |  |
| PG6b2. | Is the ground cover beneath this element firm and stable? (poured surface, recycled rubber or engineered wood fiber)? Describe: |  |  |  |  |
| PG6b3. | If applicable, does this play element have accessible routes to ramps or transfer systems (transfer platform, transfer support, and transfer steps)? |  |  |  |  |
| PG6c. | Name of element 3: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |  |  |  |
| PG6c1. | Is there is an accessible route of travel from the entrance to this element? |  |  |  |  |
| PG6c2. | Is the ground cover beneath this element firm and stable? (poured surface, recycled rubber or engineered wood fiber)? Describe: |  |  |  |  |
| PG6c3. | If applicable, does this play element have accessible routes to ramps or transfer systems (transfer platform, transfer support, and transfer steps)? |  |  |  |  |
| PG6d. | Name of element 4: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |  |  |  |
| PG6d1. | Is there is an accessible route of travel from the entrance to this element? |  |  |  |  |
| PG6d2. | Is the ground cover beneath this element firm and stable? (poured surface, recycled rubber or engineered wood fiber)? Describe: |  |  |  |  |
| PG6d3. | If applicable, does this play element have accessible routes to ramps or transfer systems (transfer platform, transfer support, and transfer steps)? |  |  |  |  |

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| **ENTRANCE AND GENERAL PLAYGROUND USE Yes No N/A Photo?** | | | | | | | | | |
| PG6f. | | Name of element 5: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  | |  | |  | |  |
| PG6f1. | | Is there is an accessible route of travel from the entrance to this element? |  | |  | |  | |  |
| PG6f2. | | Is the ground cover beneath this element firm and stable? (poured surface, recycled rubber or engineered wood fiber)? Describe: |  | |  | |  | |  |
| PG6f3. | | If applicable, does this play element have accessible routes to ramps or transfer systems (transfer platform, transfer support, and transfer steps)? |  | |  | |  | |  |
| PG6g. | | Name of element 6: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  | |  | |  | |  |
| PG6g1. | | Is there is an accessible route of travel from the entrance to this element? |  | |  | |  | |  |
| PG6g2. | | Is the ground cover beneath this element firm and stable? (poured surface, recycled rubber or engineered wood fiber)? Describe: |  | |  | |  | |  |
| PG6g3. | | If applicable, does this play element have accessible routes to ramps or transfer systems (transfer platform, transfer support, and transfer steps)? |  | |  | |  | |  |
| PG6h. | | Name of element 7: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  | |  | |  | |  |
| PG6h1. | | Is there is an accessible route of travel from the entrance to this element? |  | |  | |  | |  |
| PG6h2. | | Is the ground cover beneath this element firm and stable? (poured surface, recycled rubber or engineered wood fiber)? Describe: |  | |  | |  | |  |
| PG6h3. | | If applicable, does this play element have accessible routes to ramps or transfer systems (transfer platform, transfer support, and transfer steps)? |  | |  | |  | |  |
| PG6i. | | Name of element 8: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  | |  | |  | |  |
| PG6i1. | | Is there is an accessible route of travel from the entrance to this element? |  | |  | |  | |  |
| PG6i2. | | Is the ground cover beneath this element firm and stable? (poured surface, recycled rubber or engineered wood fiber)? Describe: |  | |  | |  | |  |
| PG6i3. | | If applicable, does this play element have accessible routes to ramps or transfer systems (transfer platform, transfer support, and transfer steps)? |  | |  | |  | |  |
| PG6j. | | Name of element 9: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  | |  | |  | |  |
| PG6j1. | | Is there is an accessible route of travel from the entrance to this element? |  | |  | |  | |  |
| PG6j2. | | Is the ground cover beneath this element firm and stable? (poured surface, recycled rubber or engineered wood fiber)? Describe: |  | |  | |  | |  |
| PG6j3. | | If applicable, does this play element have accessible routes to ramps or transfer systems (transfer platform, transfer support, and transfer steps)? |  | |  | |  | |  |
| PG6k. | | Name of element 9: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  | |  | |  | |  |
| PG6ka. | | Is there is an accessible route of travel from the entrance to this element? |  | |  | |  | |  |
| PG6kb. | | Is the ground cover beneath this element firm and stable? (poured surface, recycled rubber or engineered wood fiber)? Describe: |  | |  | |  | |  |
| PG6kc. | | If applicable, does this play element have accessible routes to ramps or transfer systems (transfer platform, transfer support, and transfer steps)? |  | |  | |  | |  |
| **ACCESSING ELEVATED PLAYGROUND COMPONENTS AND EQUIPMENT Yes No N/A Photo?** | | | | | | | | | |
| PG8. | Is a ramp used for access to any play components? | | |  |  |  | |  | |
| PG8a. | What is the slope of the ramp? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ slope (1:12 or less with a maximum rise of 12”) | | |  |  |  | |  | |
| PG8b. | What is the width of the ramp? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ inches (36” or more) | | |  |  |  | |  | |
| PG8c. | Are continuous handrails provided on both sides of the ramp (without breaks)? | | |  |  |  | |  | |
| PG8d. | What is the height of the handrails? \_\_\_\_\_\_ inches | | |  |  |  | |  | |
| PG9. | If a transfer system is used for access to any play components, does the transfer system include a platform (to transfer from a device), a support (vertical handle bars), and transfer steps? | | |  |  |  | |  | |
| PG9a. | Is there is a clear unobstructed area parallel and immediately next to the transfer platform for “device parking”? | | |  |  |  | |  | |
| PG9b. | Is the edge of the platform non-textured, smooth, and straight? | | |  |  |  | |  | |
| PG9c. | What is the height to the top edge of the transfer platform? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_inches  (between 11” and 18”) | | |  |  |  | |  | |
| PG9d. | Is there a transfer step to the ground level? | | |  |  |  | |  | |
| PG9e. | How many steps lead from the transfer system onto the elevated play component? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ steps | | |  |  |  | |  | |
| PG9f. | Is there is an accessible route on the elevated play component? (a minimum of 36” clear path width)? | | |  |  |  | |  | |
| PG9g. | Is there at least one landing (60” in diameter with a maximum slope of 1:48) along the accessible route on the elevated play composite? | | |  |  |  | |  | |
| PG9h. | What is the surface type of the elevated component (wood, metal with small gratings, recycled plastic, etc.)? Describe: | | |  |  |  | |  | |
| PG10. | Are there any standalone components (connected to any elevated components on the ground, play table with sand or water, steering wheel, rocking object, tictac-toe boards, etc.). | | |  |  |  | |  | |
| PG11. | Comments/additional information regarding playground: | | | | | | | | |

Name of person who completed assessment: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Play Ground Accessibility Tool Information**

Free online playground training available at: [**http://www.access-board.gov/play/course/section1/1-1.htm0.htm**](http://www.access-board.gov/play/course/section1/1-1.htm0.htm)

PG4. You will list each playground element and provide descriptive information about each one. If there are more than four elements on the playground, you may need to make additional copies of page one.

PG5. You utilize page two for each elevated playground element and provide descriptive information about each one. If there is more than one elevated element on the playground, you may need to make additional copies of page two.

At least one of each type of play component provided at ground level in a play area must be on an accessible route. Different “types” of play components are based on the general experience provided by the play component. Different types include, but are not limited to, experiences such as rocking, swinging, climbing, spinning, and sliding.

Swing bays that provide an accessible route, clear floor or ground space, maneuvering space, and the seat at a height between 11 to 24 inches to more than one swing, can count each swing as an accessible ground level play component.

Ground level play components are items that can be approached and exited at ground level. For example, a child approaches a spring rider at ground level via the accessible route.

*Ground Level Requirements Based on Elevated Play Components*

At least 50% of the elevated play components must be on an accessible route.

The accessible route may include a transfer system or ramp access. An accessible route within the boundary of the play area is a pathway designed to provide access for individuals with disabilities, including those using wheelchairs or other mobility devices. There are two types of accessible routes for play areas.

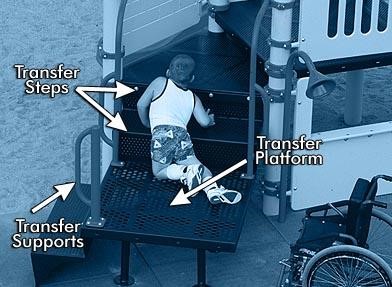
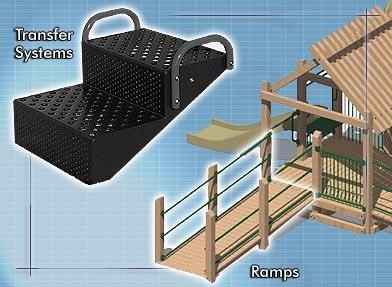
Landings are the level surfaces at the top and bottom of each ramp run.

* Must be as wide as the ramp they connect to
* A minimum length of 60-inches (1525 mm)
* If ramps change direction, the minimum landing size must be 60 inches (1525 mm) wide to accommodate \_turning space for an individual using a wheelchair

•Handrails are required on both sides of ramps connecting elevated play components.

A transfer system provides access to elevated play components within a composite system by connecting different levels with transfer platforms and steps.

A transfer system typically consists of a transfer platform, transfer steps, and transfer supports



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A transfer platform is a platform or landing that an individual who uses a wheelchair or mobility device can use to lift or transfer onto the play structure and leave the wheelchair or mobility device behind at ground level.

