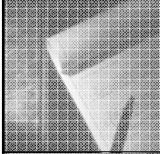




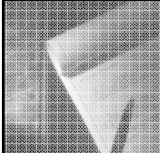
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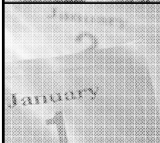
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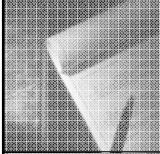


- Requires all new playgrounds built by a public agency to conform to the standards set forth by the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) and the guidelines set forth by the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission (USCPSA).
- Replacement of equipment or modification of components inside existing playgrounds must conform to current STM and USCPSC standards.





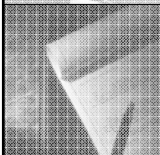
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- Public agencies operating playgrounds must have an inspector certified by the National Playground Safety Institute (NPSI) conduct an initial inspection of playground facilities.
- Playgrounds installed between January 1, 1994 and December 31, 1999 must conform to ASTM and USCPSC standards no later than 15 years after the date those playgrounds were installed.



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- Specifies that no state funding will be available for the planning, development or redevelopment of any playground unless it conforms to these provisions (if this becomes effective prior to the completion of the project, funding will be maintained as long as the playground is altered to conform to the standards).

