



print-n-play

## Play Set Maintenance Checklist

### before play season

- At the start of play season, check all metal parts for rust or other deterioration
- To prevent deterioration of materials, remove plastic swing seats and other plastic accessories and take indoors during off seasons
- Provide your children with a soft landing – proper surfacing is key
- Replace any deteriorated parts with new parts for compliant play
- Lubricate metallic moving parts
- Check all protective coverings on bolts, pipes, edges and corners – replace if loose, cracked or missing
- Keep your play surface compliant by checking its depth and raking it to avoid compaction
- Tighten all hardware
- Sand down any splinters in the wood
- Replace any deteriorating wood parts
- Cut off all protruding threaded ends of bolts and other fasteners and remove any sharp edges
- Ensure equipment is on level ground, no less than six feet from any structure or obstruction such as a fence, garage or tree
- Adjust all swings for a minimum 8" clearance between the swing and the ground surface
- Use a water seal on your gym set to protect wood and prevent cracking and warping

### during play season

- Check all nuts and bolts twice monthly for tightness and tighten as required.
- Oil all metallic moving parts monthly during usage period
- Check all hardware and equipment for sharp edges twice monthly
- Check swing seats and chains monthly during the usage season for evidence of deterioration
- Remind your children of safe play rules including appropriate swinging space, sharing with others and being polite to other children