

# Play AK

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## RPII Operational Playground Inspection Report

**Play Area:** Maitland Park, Maitland Residents Association

**Address:** Musselburgh EH21 6EF



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A visual and physical inspection of each piece of equipment including furniture (e.g. benches, picnic tables, bins & fencing) and safer surfacing according to set standards BS EN 1176 and BS EN 1177. Each apparatus is checked for stability, function and wear and tear. If any minor repairs are required such as tightening of fixings, these would be carried out at time of inspection at no extra cost.

A written report is issued clearly showing the level of risk assessed. Any maintenance issues are highlighted along with recommendations on how to address any faults found and their severity along with photographs as a visual record where necessary.

### Scoring Risk

Inspections carried out with reference to BS EN1176, BS EN1177 and other standards applicable to play and sport. Risk assessment is indicative of risk/hazard to user, other assessments may have to be carried out for employees.

Standard Risk scores are:

1-7	Low risk, no immediate action required, monitor damage/wear
8-12	Medium risk, action recommended, costs/consultation may be required
13-20	High risk, action required within set time, temporary repairs may be required
20 +	Unacceptable, immediate action to make safe

The report gives a site asset list with base risk scores of items in good condition. Comparing these scores with the findings and recommendations (if any) will indicate urgency and priority of actions necessary to bring safety back to base score.

It is often not safety but life span or amenity that may indicate action and this should be considered.

### Parameters

A	If equipment and surfacing meets standards (BS 5696, DIN 7926, EN1176 and EN 1177) and is well maintained with safer surfacing in good condition
B	If equipment meets standards (BS 5696, DIN 7926, EN 1176) and is well maintained but with hard surface e.g. Tarmac, concrete, worn and eroded grass, timber baulks etc
C	If equipment meets standards (BS 5696, DIN 7926, EN 1176) and is well maintained but where safer surfacing is poorly maintained or vandalised to include uneven or badly jointed tiles, damaged wet pour, displaced or inadequate loose fill materials, exposed geo textile etc. 'Score according to severity'
D	If equipment is poorly maintained or fail s standards (BS 5696, DIN 7926, EN 1176 and EN 1177) e.g. on swings: chain wear, worn quick links or carabineers, worn bushes, suspected worn shackle pins, damaged swing seats, damaged or badly decaying swing frame etc but with safer surfacing in good condition complying with relevant standards (EN1177)
E	If equipment is as D above but with hard surface e.g. Tarmac, concrete, worn and eroded grass, timber bulks etc, Score D and E according to severity of failure
F	If equipment is as D above but with safer surfacing as C above. Score according to severity of equipment safer surfacing failure

#### For all equipment failing EN 1176, add:

Low risk	1
Medium risk	2
High risk	3
The toggle test failure will add to the risk depending on severity	

## Inspection Type: Operational Inspection Report

<b>Play Item: Free Standing Basket Ball (Hags Play)</b>						
	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>
Risk Assessment Risk: VL / L / <b>M</b> / H / U	8	16	9-17	9-18	10-19	10-19
	<b>8</b>					
	Minor movement at base					
<b>Surface:</b> Ash <b>General Surface Risk Score:</b> L M H <b>Findings:</b> Good condition						

<b>Play Item: Spring Item (Hags Play)</b>						
	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>
Risk Assessment Risk: <b>VL</b> / L / M / H / U	1	4	1-4	2-4	4-8	4-8
	<b>1</b>					
	Good condition					
<b>Surface:</b> Safer grass matting <b>General Surface Risk Score:</b> L M H <b>Findings:</b> Good condition						

**Play Item: Free Standing 6ft Football Goals x 2**

Risk Assessment Risk: VL / L / <b>M</b> / H / U	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>
	8	16	9-17	9-18	10-19	10-19
	<b>8</b>					



Good condition

**Surface:** Ash  
**General Surface Risk Score:** L M H  
**Findings:** Good condition

**Play Item: Roundabout (Hags Play)**

Risk Assessment Risk: <b>VL</b> / L / M / H / U	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>
	3	4	3-4	3-4	8-13	8-13
	<b>3</b>					



Good condition

**Surface:** Safer grass matting  
**General Surface Risk Score:** L M H  
**Findings:** Minor surface wear

**Play Item: 2.4 Swings - 2 Bay / 1 Basket / 1 Flat 1 / Tango Seat**

Risk Assessment Risk: VL / <b>L</b> / M / H / U	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>
	4	12	8-13	9-17	11-16	13-17
	<b>4</b>					



Tango seat fixings are loose

**Surface:** Safer grass matting  
**General Surface Risk Score:** L M H  
**Findings:** Loose mat surfacing under Tango seat

**Play Item: Multi-play Junior (Hags Play)**

Risk Assessment Risk: <b>VL</b> / L / M / H / U	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>F</b>
	3	12	4-12	4-13	12-16	12-16
	<b>3</b>					



Good condition

**Surface:** Safer grass matting  
**General Surface Risk Score:** L M H  
**Findings:** Good condition

**Facilities: e.g. fencing, playground furniture**

Benches x 5 – Good condition, but one bench has a loose fixing at base.

Bin x 1 – Good condition

No fencing around play area

Mesh fencing around sports area is rusting and in poor condition.

No signage

1 no “Children’s play area - no dogs allowed” sign

Date: 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Time: 2.00pm

Signature: *Alex Kettrick*

Inspector: Alex Kettrick

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## Recommendations

### **Play Item: 2.4 Swings**

Tighten loose fixings on seat and monitor bearing lubrication.

### **Play Item: Free Standing Basketball**

Monitor base movement

### **Facilities: E.g. Fencing, playground furniture etc.**

Benches – Secure one of the benches to ground

Fencing - Consider installing fencing on roadside of the play area

Mesh fencing around sports area – monitor rust on posts and chain link wear – consider replacement.

### **Other Comments**

Consider re-siting basketball stand as it is currently in play space of football pitch.

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