



INSPECTION OF AREAS WHERE CHILDREN PLAY

*For Parish, Town & Community Councils, Schools and Voluntary groups,
from the world's premier Play Safety organisation*

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ROSPA
The Royal Society for the
Prevention of Accidents

“Get the protection of **RoSPA** around you”

WHY HAVE INSPECTIONS?

The British and European Standard BS EN 1176 and the Health and Safety Executive say that you should have an independent annual inspection and most insurance companies insist on it.

Most important of all, you owe it to your children to ensure that their play area is as safe as it needs to be.

WHY USE RoSPA?

RoSPA Playsafety is the premier play safety organisation in the world. We bring world-wide experience to our inspections. We also believe that areas where children play should be as safe as necessary, NOT as safe as possible. We therefore only recommend action where our world-wide experience indicates that this will make a measurable difference to the safety of the children on the play area.

With RoSPA you do not get a list of costs of spare parts etc. We have no commercial interest in the outcome of our inspections. Indeed we do not believe in you spending money unless it is really necessary.

RoSPA clients also have free access to technical queries by emailing the dedicated email address: queries@rospaplaysafety.co.uk.

WHAT WILL IT COST?

In order to keep prices as low as practical we normally undertake inspections during set months. A written report is supplied covering safety and condition of the whole of the site including all ancillary items. Reports can be supplied in electronic format.

Recommendations are made for any remedial action together with the relevant priority by giving an assessment of risk (based on fact – the analysis of accidents throughout the world).

With a RoSPA inspection you can be confident that you are not being asked to spend money unnecessarily. It is not what you spend on your inspection but what the inspection's recommendations costs you overall that matters. With RoSPA you can be confident of only spending money when it is really necessary.



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AUTOMATIC ORDERS

In order to avoid forgetting to order your inspection, place a standing order for your site to be inspected every year until further notice. Written notification of the upcoming inspection will be sent out several weeks in advance in case you wish to alter or cancel any of the arrangements.

QUALIFICATION

All RoSPA inspectors are qualified on the professional body (the RPII) at the highest level. RoSPA was a founding member of the body.

TRAINING

All RoSPA inspectors receive continual training to update their skills and knowledge and are kept up to date with safety issues from throughout the world.

We provide training courses for routine and operational inspections. The courses are ideal for the person responsible for undertaking weekly and monthly checks of your play areas. We can also undertake examinations for entry onto the Register of Play Inspectors International (RPII). Alternatively, we have a training DVD that covers the basic aspects of a routine inspection. Details of these courses and where to purchase the DVD can be found on our website www.rospa.com/training

AREAS WE INSPECT

We can inspect any area outside the home where children play including

Play Areas	Skateboard Parks
BMX Areas	Teenage Areas
Games Areas	Water Areas
Playing Fields	Open Spaces

We can provide a comprehensive report on any sports pitch or playing field. This inspection service varies from our play inspections as it can incorporate soil analysis, drainage, weed control and much more. To receive more information on the RoSPA Sports Pitches and Playing Fields Service, please request a brochure at info@rospaplaysafety.co.uk.

DISABILITY ASSESSMENTS

It is a legal requirement to have your play area assessed for suitability for use by disabled people. RoSPA can undertake this assessment for you.



Prices

In designated month

Annual inspection for councils

and voluntary groups of whole of the play area, wheeled sports facility, teenage area or games area with up to five items of play equipment. **£63.00 per site**

Annual inspection for schools

and commercial organisations of whole of the play area, wheeled sports facility or games area with up to five items of play equipment. **£85.00 per site**

Extra items

above an average of five items per site. **£3.00 per additional item**

Risk Assessment

formal risk assessment of the site. **Additional £20.00 per site**

Checklist

indicating the items that should be checked by the client during their routine inspections. **Additional £25.00 per site**

Pond or small playing field

safety inspections of a pond or small playing field (less than 5 acres). **£66.00 per site**

Assessment of suitability

of the site as required by the Disability Discrimination Act. **Additional £33.50 per site**

Appointment fee

for appointment with inspector at mutually convenient date/time. **£35.00**

At any time

Any of the above but extra charges will apply

All prices are subject to VAT

Prices are correct at time of press and may be subject to change

County Inspection Dates

In order to provide an economic service, RoSPA will be inspecting in each county/area during these months. Please book inspections at least one month before the inspection is due.

Avon/Bristol	June	Herefordshire	March	Staffordshire	Aug.
Bedfordshire	May	Hertfordshire	May	Suffolk	Sept.
Berkshire	April	Isle of Wight	May	Surrey	June
Buckinghamshire	May	Kent	July	Sussex	June
Cambridgeshire	April	Lancashire	Aug.	Warwickshire	Sept.
Cheshire	April	Leicestershire	May	West Midlands	Sept.
Cornwall	April	Lincolnshire	Aug.	Wiltshire	Sept.
Cumbria	Aug.	Norfolk	June	Worcestershire	March
Derbyshire	May	Northamptonshire	June	Yorkshire	Sept.
Devon	March	Northumberland	June		
Dorset	May	Nottinghamshire	May		
Durham	June	Oxfordshire	July		
Essex	May	Rutland	May	Scotland	
Gloucestershire	April	Shropshire	June	(mainland)*	July
Hampshire	May	Somerset	June	Wales	June

Inspections can be undertaken outside of the designated month but extra charges will apply. London areas can be inspected at any time but extra charges may apply.

* We reserve the right to change months in which inspections are undertaken in remote areas. Offshore areas will attract an extra charge.

Please complete and detach this form and send it to: RoSPA / Playsafety Ltd, The Old Barn, Wicklesham Lodge, Faringdon, Oxfordshire SN7 7PN

Please undertake the annual inspection of our facilities (please tick if you require automatic inspections and note that a fee is charged for appointments)

	Qty	Automatic
Play Area Annual Inspection		
Play Area Risk Assessment		
Inspection Checklist		
Pond/Water Inspection		
Playing Field Inspection		
Disability Assessment		
Appointment (fee payable)		
Email Reports		

Organisation:

Address:

Town:

County: Postcode:

Name:

Position:

Telephone:

Email address:

*Reports can be emailed instead of hard copy if requested. Please enclose directions / location map showing site(s) within Parish.

It is essential a map or directions are included locating the area(s) within the village / town. There may be an additional charge if directions are not supplied. Under our "legal duty of care" we are unable to inspect areas where a telephone number is not supplied.



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INSPECTION CHECKLIST

An inspection checklist specific to your site can be prepared on request (in conjunction with the annual inspection).

DROWNING

With between 40-50 children drowning each year in open water and with 28% of play areas within a toddler's walking distance of water, we strongly recommend inspections of ponds and water near play areas.

RISK ASSESSMENTS

Are a legal requirement under the Management of Health and Safety at Work regulations (only normally necessary every four or five years). Risk Assessments of play areas are highly specialised. RoSPA can undertake these for you.

INSURANCE

In today's litigious society RoSPA believes that good insurance cover is essential. Therefore, all our inspectors carry £5,000,000 of both Professional Indemnity and Public Liability cover.

RoSPA inspections are fully acceptable for insurance purposes. The Legal Review of the Insurance Times stated: "... Have a 'health check' from the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents ... A written report from RoSPA has great evidential benefits". A satisfactory RoSPA report will help protect against successful litigation.

AWARD SCHEME

RoSPA actively encourages high play value in areas where children play. They have instituted a quality award scheme. Is your play area eligible? Full details are available on www.rospace.com/playwards. The Merit Award is specially designed for small to medium councils.



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For latest charges and information on RoSPA services see

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