



## **Certified Playground Safety Inspector Content Outline**

<b>1. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION</b>	<b>38 questions</b>
A. Identify hazards: playground related standards/guidelines (ASTM 1487, 325 & CPSC)	
B. Identify hazards: rationale of standards/guidelines	
C. Identify hazards: causes of injury	
D. Identify hazards: injury patterns	
E. Identify hazards: ranking/prioritizing hazards	
F. Identify hazards: methods of corrective actions and injury prevention	
G. Entanglement hazards: causes	
H. Entanglement hazards: tools to identify	
I. Impalement hazards: causes	
J. Impalement hazards: tools and gauges to identify	
K. Head-entrapment-hazards: causes	
L. Head-entrapment-hazards: tools and probes to identify	
M. Crush/shear hazards: causes	
N. Crush/shear hazards: tools and dowels to identify	
O. Identify hazards: equipment-specific performance requirements	
P. Identify hazards: ADA requirements for equipment	
<b>2. PROTECTIVE SURFACING</b>	<b>19 questions</b>
A. ASTM standards (ASTM 1292, 1951, 2223)	
B. Impact attenuation (critical height and accessibility lab test reports)	
C. Field testing to verify compliance	
D. CPSC Guidelines (critical height)	
E. ADA requirements for accessible routes	
F. Use zones	
G. Fall height	
H. Manufacturers' installation recommendations	
I. Material selection	
J. Maintenance requirements	
<b>PLAYGROUND ENVIRONMENT</b>	<b>8 questions</b>
A. Child development	
B. Age-appropriateness of equipment	
C. Evaluation of playground environment including shade, drainage, site selection, etc.	
D. Equipment materials and manufacturing	
E. Play-environment design	



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<b>INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE</b>	<b>18 questions</b>
A. Development of audit forms	
B. Development of inspection forms	
C. Use of audit forms	
D. Use of inspections forms	
E. Factors affecting inspection frequency	
F. Methods of corrective action and maintenance	
G. Procedures for taking equipment out of service	
<b>RISK MANAGEMENT</b>	<b>12 questions</b>
A. Requirement for record keeping/storage	
B. Requirement for site history file	
C. Compliance documents from equipment and surfacing manufacturer and installer	
D. Injury reporting within agency	
E. How to establish standard of care	
F. How to implement program based on standard of care	
G. Components of safety audit	
H. How to develop a system of hazard identification/prioritization	
I. Long-range corrective planning	
J. Accident Investigation	
<b>TEST DEVELOPMENT</b>	<b>5 questions</b>
A. Beta test questions included that are not calculated into the final score.	



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