PLAYGROUND INSPECTION SERVICES

Your playground plays an important role in your students' development and well-being. It's important that your playground equipment is not only fun and enriching, but also safe.

CM Regent employs two different risk control specialists who are Certified Playground Safety Inspectors (CPSI). These individuals offer three different playground safety services for CM Regent property insurance customers:

Playground design consultation

If your school plans to build a new playground or add equipment to your existing playground, our CPSIs can consult on the proper design. They can help you determine which equipment is appropriate for certain age groups and decide on proper surfacing material depths and use zones.

CPSI inspection

One of our CPSIs will perform a playground inspection during a routine risk control survey of your school's buildings. This inspection uses the Consumer Product Safety Commission Federal Guidelines to identify hazards and recommend corrections to reduce the potential for playground injuries. This inspection should supplement the school's playground maintenance plan.

CPSI audit

As a CM Regent property insurance customer, you are eligible to receive a free audit of playground equipment upon request. This audit is more in-depth and time-consuming than the playground inspection and should be scheduled for each playground area separately. It uses American Society for Testing and Materials International standards when making recommendations for playground hazards. We recommend that you perform an audit on an annual basis or when you have installed or modified equipment. Typically, schools hire outside contractors to perform such an audit, but the experts at CM Regent offer this **free service** as part of our continuing risk management program.

Contact Sharon Orr at 717-790-2324 or <u>sorr@cmregent.com</u> to learn more about how you can bring a Certified Playground Safety Inspector to your school.

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