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MAINTENANCE TRAINING GUIDE

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For children, the pleasure of playing is all the greater if the equipment that is provided for their use is in good condition and checked regularly. This means that they can make the most of the facilities.

The durability and safety of a playground depend to a great extent on the servicing and maintenance work carried out, together with the fact, of course, that the products have been designed in accordance with quality principles, as is the case with PROLUDIC products.

SAFETY STANDARDS

Since publication of the European safety standards in 1998 and their subsequent revisions in 2008 and 2017, the obligations to be met by the operating entity and the equipment supplier have been clearly defined in the form of the normative texts EN 1176-1 and EN 1176-7. The latter determines various checks to be made at specific intervals.

These intervals are given for information purposes only; they must be adapted to suit the frequency of use and the site.

MONTHLY 0	 Routine visual inspection to identify the risks stemming from acts of vandalism, use or specific weather conditions. Ensure all fixings are securely fastened. Check for missing or broken parts. Ensure that protective covers are in place. Check the equipment weight load for loose-fill surfacing.
EVERY 3 MONTHS	 Functional check to make sure that the equipment, or the part concerned, is operating correctly. Check all fixings. Check the stability of the equipment. Inspect wear levels (flooring, bars, chains, cables, etc.).
YEARLY	 Inspect the anchoring systems. Clean thoroughly. Check the condition of the supporting structure. Check the condition of the lacquered plates.

Once these checks have been made, corrective actions must be taken if the results found so require.

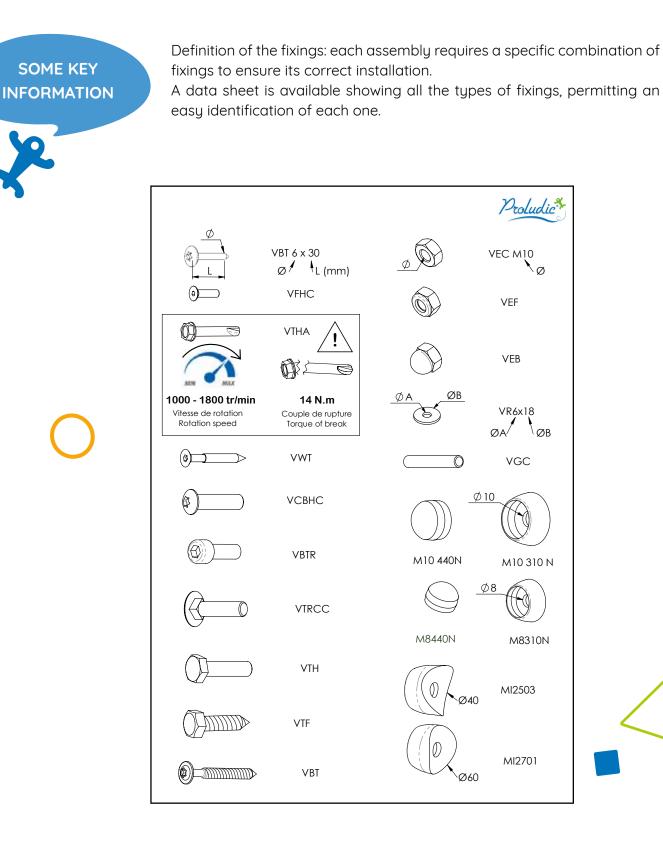
The PROLUDIC Maintenance manual is a practical working document that draws on 30 years of experience ; it is made available to our clients and more specifically those responsible for maintenance work on playground equipment for collective use.

For each type of product, we have compiled a list of the inspection to be carried out together with their frequency.



ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

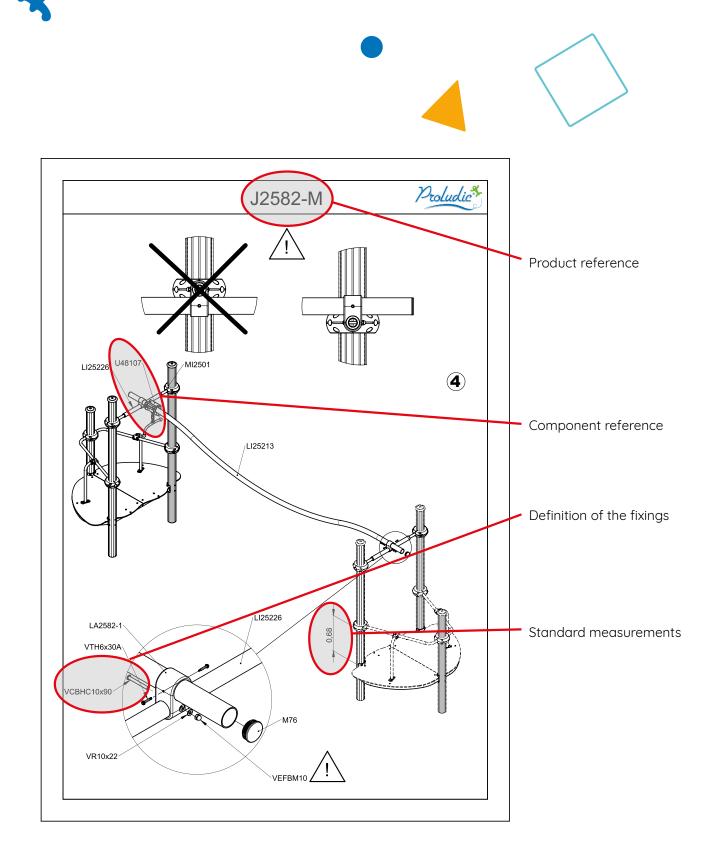
The first step to be taken is to ensure that the equipment item lasts a long time and can be used by children safely is to make sure that the installation complies with the information supplied in the assembly instructions.





SOME KEY

- The measurements shown enable assembly in compliance with safety standards.
- The product reference codes enable easy identification.
- The reference codes of the parts or assemblies make it easy to identify an element if a replacement is required.



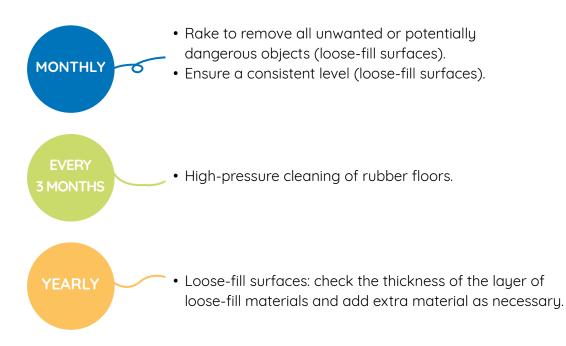
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MAINTENANCE OF THE AREA AND ITS ENVIRONMENT

A playground is not limited to the items of equipment making it up; it also includes the safety surfacing and its surroundings that must also be maintained to ensure safe use over a long period.

SAFETY SURFACING

There are various types of flooring, including but not limited to synthetic surfaces and loose-fill surfaces. They have to be maintained in order to conserve their characteristics.



SURROUNDING OPEN SPACES

- Make sure at regular intervals that the state of the vegetation present in or around the playground does not present a risk to users.
- Cut the vegetation back if necessary to ensure that it does not reach the impact zones of the playground equipment, which must remain free of all obstacles.
- Check the signs in the playground (updating the telephone numbers and addresses of the organizations to be contacted in the event of an accident, if required).





Each playground has a specific maintenance requirement, according to the elements installed and the materials used.





• Clean with water and detergent using a high-pressure cleaner.



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- Check the overall condition of the elements.
 - Clean with water and detergent using a high-pressure cleaner.



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MULTIPLAY EQUIPMENT





- Routine visual inspection to identify the risks stemming from acts of vandalism, use or specific weather conditions.
- Ensure all fixings are securely fastened.
- Check for missing or broken parts.
- Ensure that protective covers are in place.
- References with a swing: see page 23.



- Make sure that the equipment, or the part concerned, is operating correctly.
- Check all the fixings.
- Check the stability of the equipment.
- Inspect for wear (flooring, bars, chains, cables, grips, etc.).
- References with a swing: see page 23.

	 Inspect the anchoring systems.
	 Inspect the condition of the framework.
YEARLY	Check that the posts are in good condition.
	 Check the general condition of the coloured panels.
	 Clean the equipment thoroughly.

• References with a swing: see page 23.





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- Check for missing or broken parts.
- Ensure that protective covers are in place.
- Check that the wooden posts are free from splinters.



- Make sure that the equipment, or the part concerned, is operating correctly.
- Check all the fixings.
- Check the stability of the equipment.
- Inspect for wear (flooring, bars, chains, cables, grips, etc.).

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	come unstuck.
	 Check that the posts are in good condition.
	 Check the general condition of the coloured panels.

• Clean the equipment thoroughly.







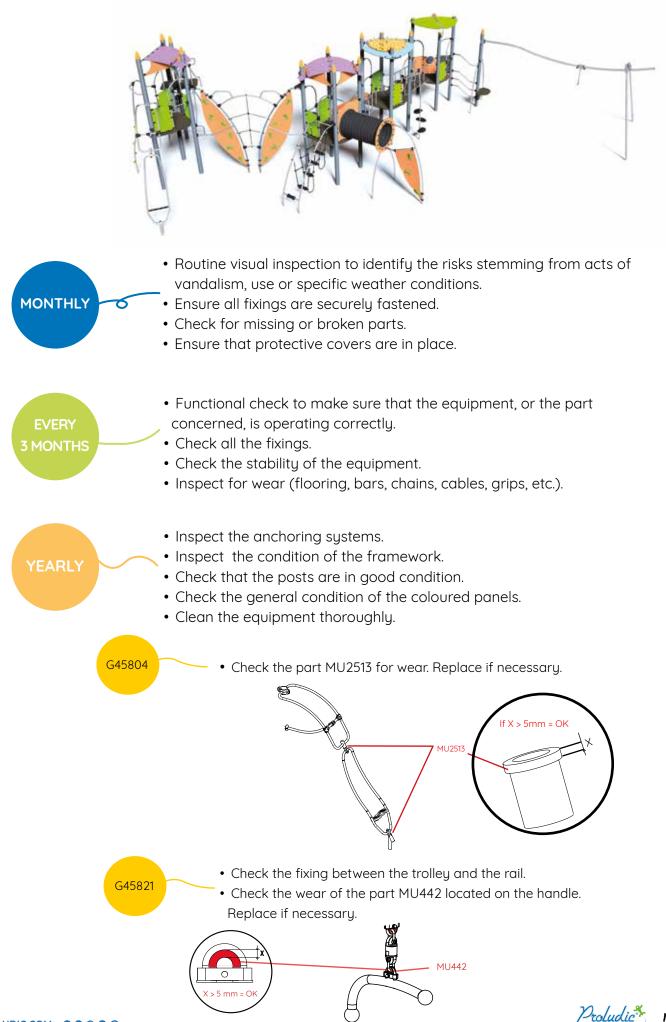
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- Ensure all fixings are securely fastened.
- Ensure that protective covers are in place.

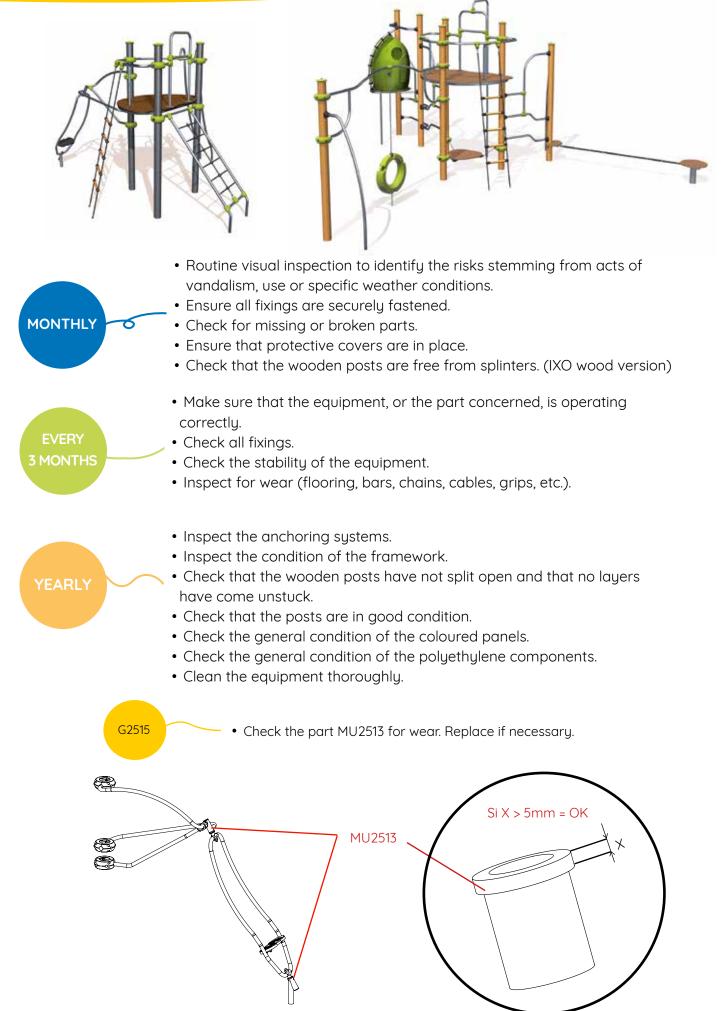


- Functional check to make sure that the equipment, or the part concerned, is operating correctly.
- Check all the fixings.
- Check the stability of the equipment.
- Inspect for wear (flooring, bars, chains, cables, grips, etc.).

	 Inspect the anchoring systems.
	 Inspect the condition of the framework.
YEARLY	• Check that the posts are in good condition.
	 Check the general condition of the coloured panels.
	 Check the general condition of the polyethylene components
	 Clean the equipment thoroughly.









MONTHLY	 Routine visual inspection to identify the risks stemming from acts of vandalism, use or specific weather conditions. Ensure all fixings are securely fastened. Check for missing or broken parts. Ensure that protective covers are in place. Check that the wooden posts are free from splinters.
EVERY 3 MONTHS	 Make sure that the equipment, or the part concerned, is operating correctly. Check all fixings. Check the stability of the equipment. Inspect for wear (flooring, chains, cables, grips, rubber coated fabric, etc.).
YEARLY	 Inspect the anchoring systems. Inspect the condition of the framework. Check that the posts are in good condition. Check the general condition of the coloured panels. Check the general condition of the polyethylene components. Clean the equipment thoroughly.

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MONTHLY 0	 Routine visual inspection to identify the risks stemming from acts of vandalism, use or specific weather conditions. Ensure all fixings are securely fastened. Check for missing or broken parts. Ensure that protective covers are in place.
	Check that the wooden posts are free from splinters.Fill in any knots which may have appeared in the wood using wood-pulp,

in order to remove any potential finger traps.

Make sure that the equipment, or the part concerned, is operating correctly.
Check all the fixings.

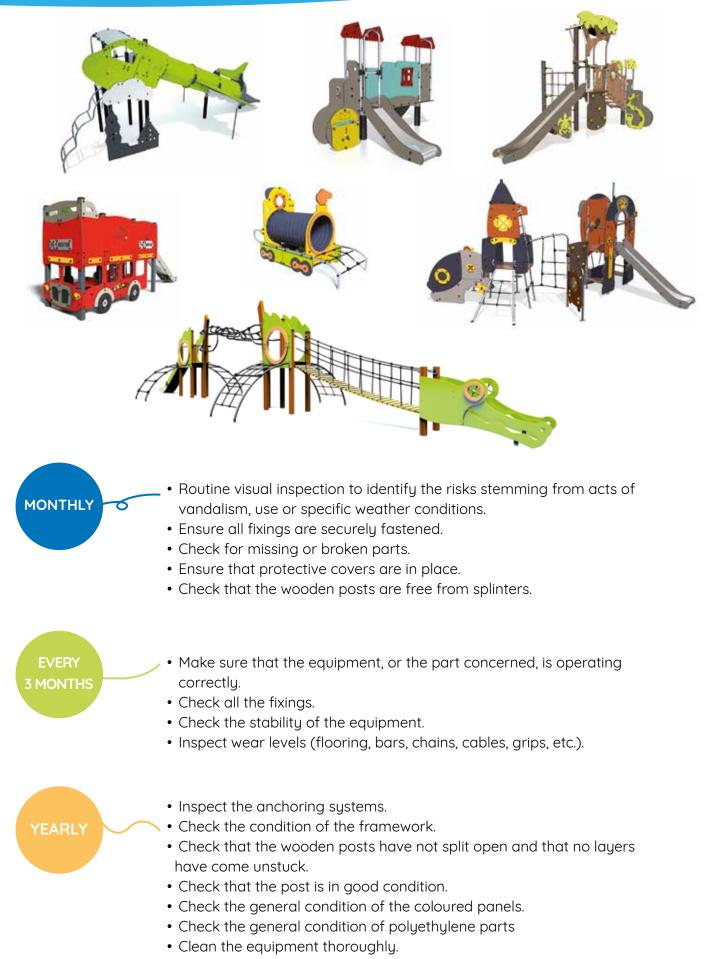
- Check the stability of the equipment.
- Inspect for wear (flooring, bars, chains, cables, grips, etc.).

	 Inspect the anchoring systems.
YEARLY	 Inspect the condition of the framework. Check that the posts are in good condition.
	 Clean the equipment thoroughly.



3 MONTHS

CITY, ADVENTURE, AQUATICA, METROPOLIS, MEDIEVAL THEMED EQUIPMENT



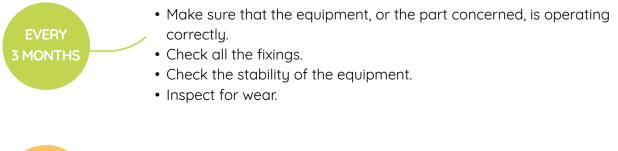








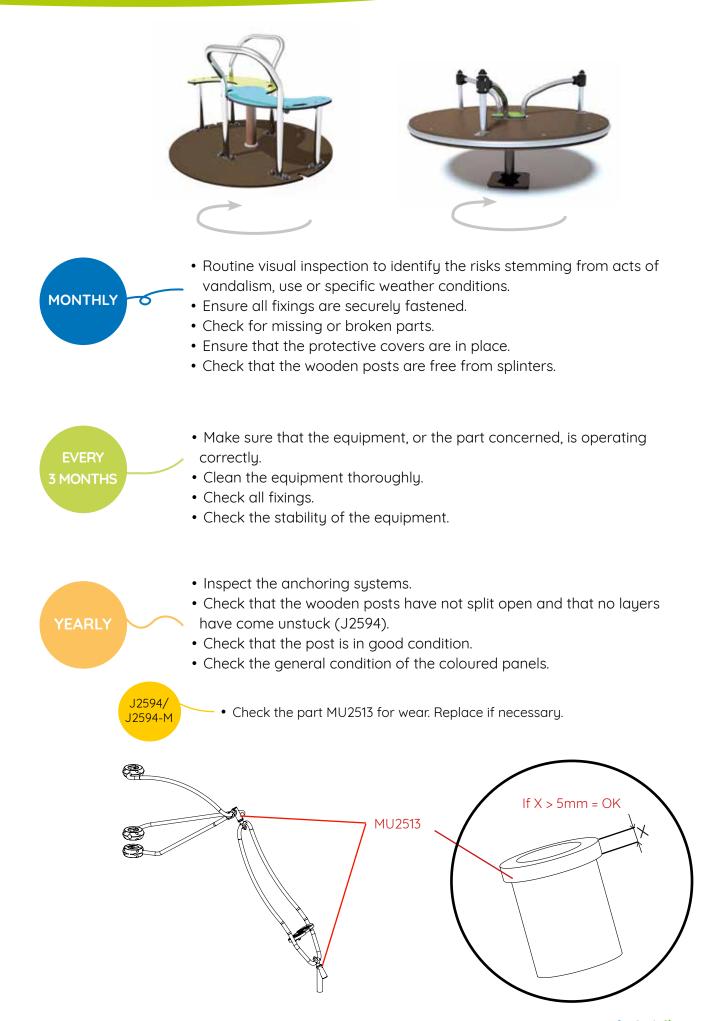
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- Ensure that protective covers are in place.

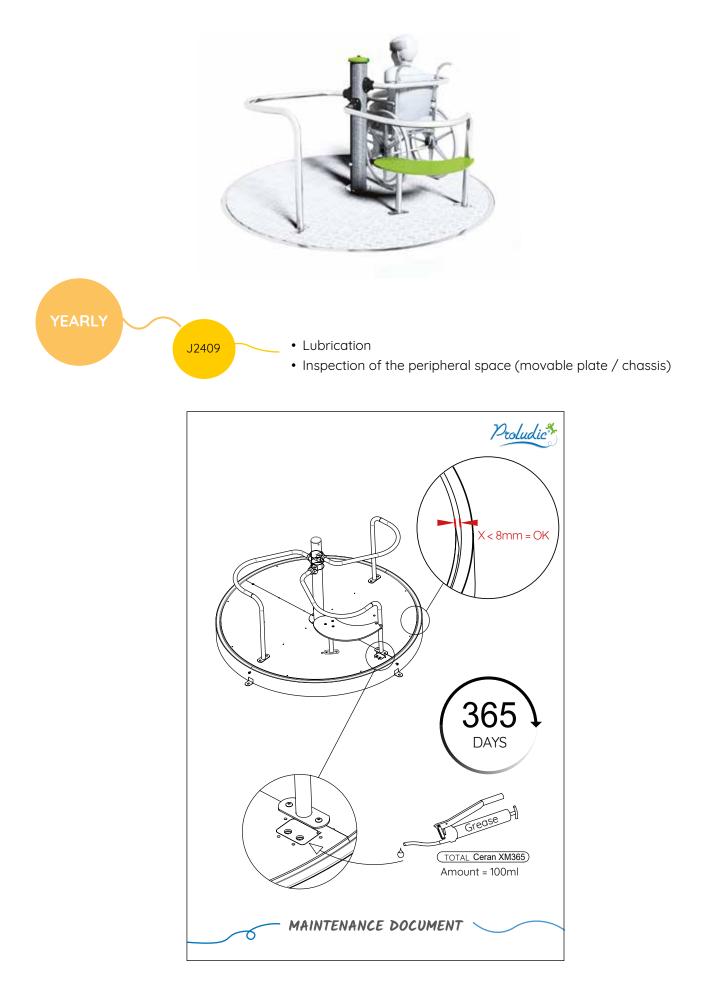




- Inspect the anchoring systems.
- Check the general condition of the coloured panels.
- Ensure that no rust is present on the spring(s).
- Clean the equipment thoroughly.

ROTATING EQUIPMENT MOVING EQUIPMENT









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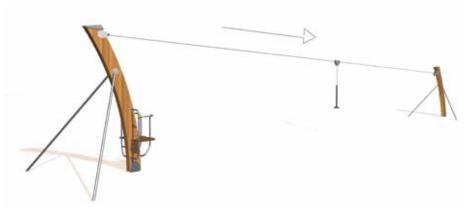




MONTHLY 0	 Routine visual inspection to identify the risks stemming from acts of vandalism, use or specific weather conditions. Ensure all fixings are securely fastened. Check for missing or broken parts. Ensure that protective covers are in place. Check that the wooden posts are free from splinters (J2581 - J2582 - J510 - J511).

	 Make sure that the equipment, or the part concerned, is operating
EVERY	correctly.
3 MONTHS	Check all fixings.
	 Check the stability of the equipment.

		 Inspect the anchoring systems.
YEARL	Y	 Check that the wooden posts have not split open and that no layers have come unstuck (J2581 – J2582 – J510 - J511). Check that the post is in good condition.

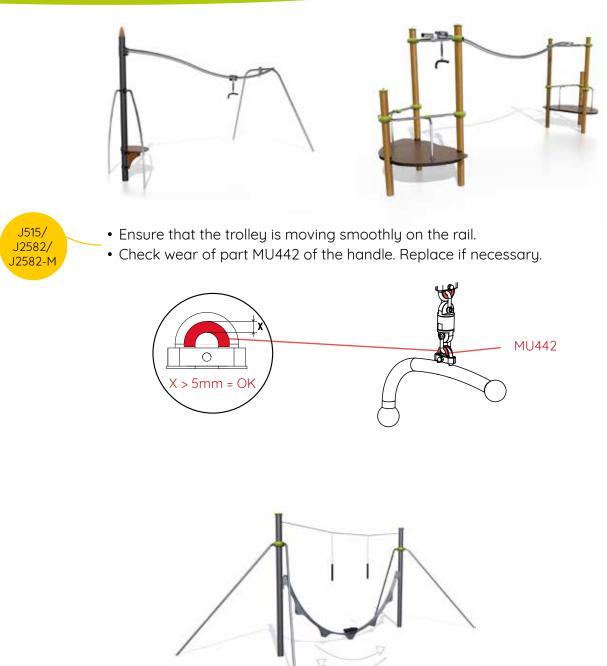




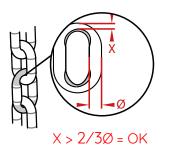
- Check the cable tension (with a 69.5 kg load, the seat height must be at least 350mm from the ground).
- Check that the spring is in working order (with a 69.5 kg load, swing the seat out from the starting point, the shock absorber should keep the seat from knocking into the wooden beam).
- Check that the cable is not damaged. Check that none of the wires are cut or have become untwisted.
- Check for wear on the seat chain (if it is worn by more than 1/3 of the wire diameter, replace the chain).

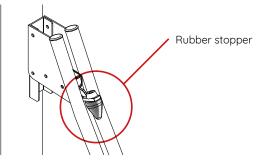






- Check wear of part MU442 of the handle. Replace if necessary.
- Check the wear level of the chain on the handles. Replace the parts of the chain if a link is found to be over 1/3 smaller than its original diameter.
- Ensure that the rubber stoppers are in place on each end of the rail.

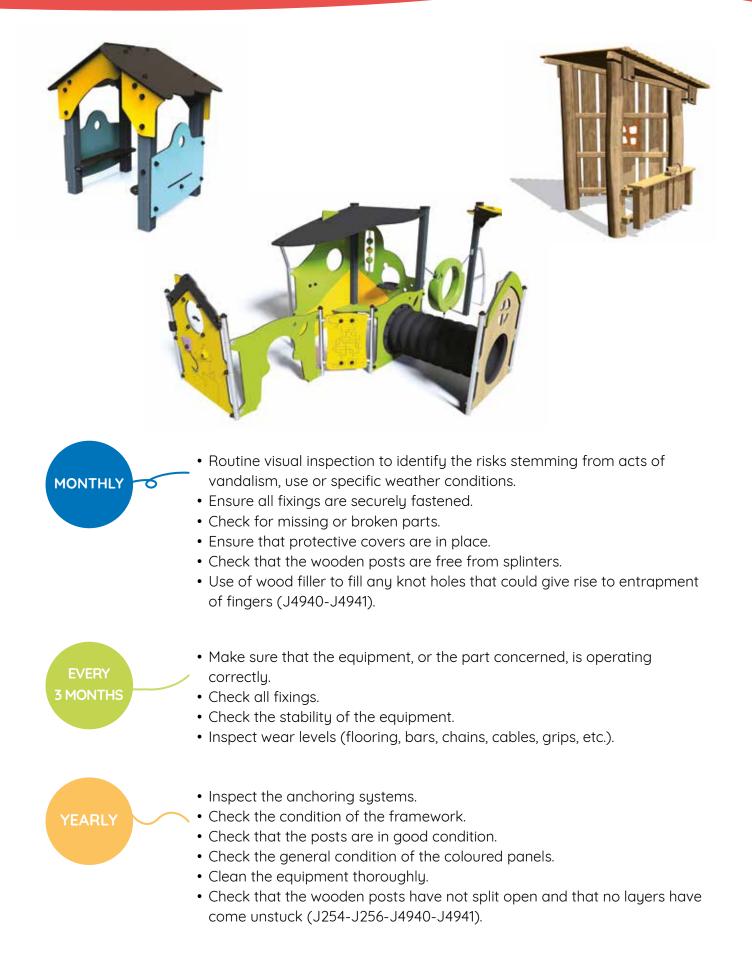






J2581/ J2581-M

PLAY HOUSES TRADITIONAL EQUIPMENT





SWINGS TRADITIONAL EQUIPMENT



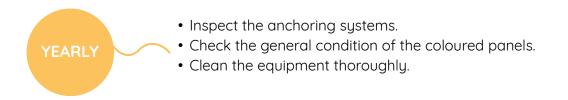


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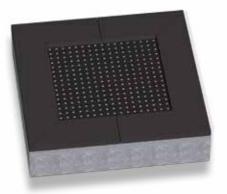
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- Check for missing or broken parts.
- Ensure that protective covers are in place.

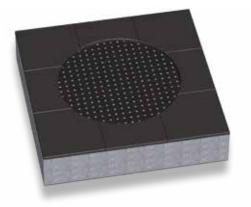


- Check all the fixings.
- Check the stability of the equipment.
- Check that the lacquered plates are correctly in place to prevent any risk of cords being caught at the top of the slides.
- Ensure that no fibreglass is visible in the case of a polyester slide.









MONTHLY 0	 Carry out a visual inspection of the jumping surface and the surrounding safety tiles. Check that all the springs are in place.
EVERY 3 MONTHS	 Check the pit below the trampoline for any objects which may impede the normal use of the item. Ensure the absence of corrosion on the metallic elements. Check wear of the jumping surface. Replace if the metal core is visible.
YEARLY	 Check the condition of the surrounding frame. Check that all the springs are in place and that they are correctly attached to both the jumping surface and the surrounding frame. Check that the surrounding safety tiles are complete and firmly in place.

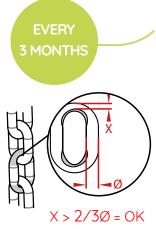


BALANCING TRAIL CLIMBING & BALANCING EQUIPMENT





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- Ensure all fixings are securely fastened.
- Check for missing or broken parts.
- Ensure that protective covers are in place.
- Check that the wooden posts are free from splinters.



- Make sure that the equipment, or the part concerned, is operating correctly.
- Check all the fixings.
- Check the stability of the equipment.
- Inspection of the chains and ropes for wear.
- Replace the ropes if the metal core has broken strands.
- Replace the parts of the chain if a link is found to be over 1/3 smaller than its original diameter.

	 Inspect the anchoring systems.
YEARLY	 Check the condition of the framework.
	• Check that the wooden posts have not split open and that no layers have
	come unstuck.
	 Check that the post is in good condition.
	 Check the general condition of the coloured panels.

• Clean the equipment thoroughly.

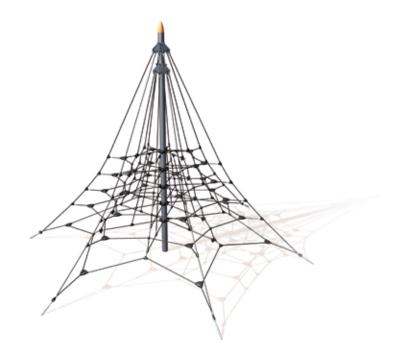


ROPE STRUCTURES CLIMBING & BALANCING EQUIPMENT



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EVERY 3 MONTHS	 Make sure that the equipment, or the part concerned, is operating correctly. Check all the fixings. Check the stability of the equipment. Inspection of the chains for wear. Replace the ropes if the metal core has broken strands.
YEARLY	 Inspect the anchoring systems. Check the condition of the framework. Check that the wooden posts have not split open and that no layers have come unstuck. Check that the post is in good condition. Check the general condition of the coloured panels. Clean the equipment thoroughly.

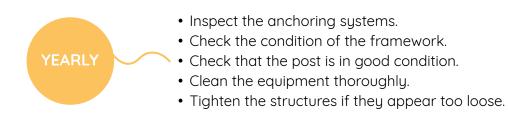




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correctly.	

- Check all the fixings.
- Check the stability of the equipment.
- Inspection of the cables for wear.
- Replace the ropes if the metal core has broken strands.





3 MONTHS

THE VERTICAL WORLD CLIMBING & BALANCING EQUIPMENT

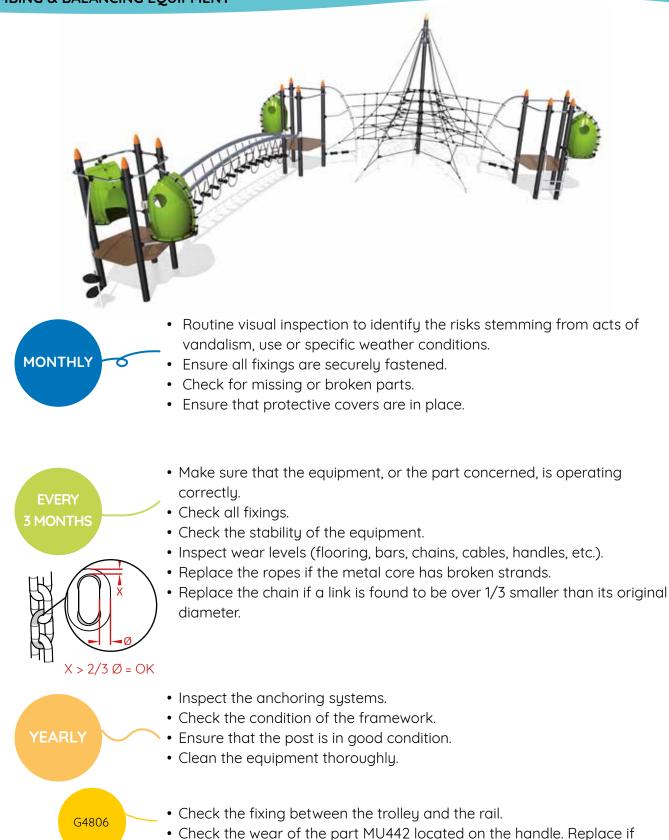


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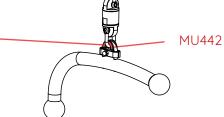
EVERY 3 MONTHS	 Check all fixings. Check the stability of the equipment. Inspect wear levels (flooring, bars, chains, cables, grips, etc.).
YEARLY	 Inspect the anchoring systems. Check the condition of the framework. Check that the wooden posts have not split open and that no layers have come unstuck. Check the general condition of the coloured panels. Clean the equipment thoroughly.



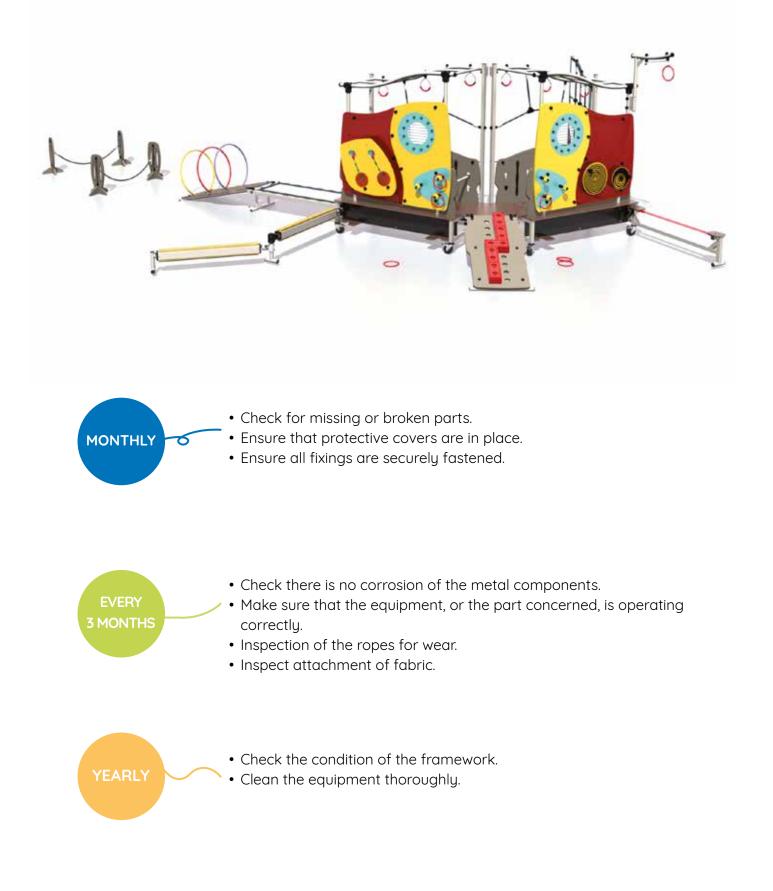
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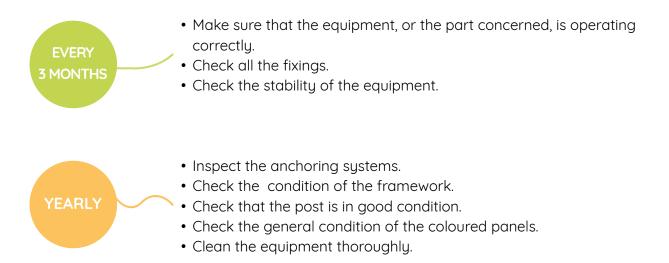




PLAY PANELS & AUDIO AND MUSICAL PLAY EDUCATIONAL AND SENSORY PLAY ACTIVITIES



	• Routine visual inspection to identify the risks stemming from acts of
	vandalism, use or specific weather conditions.
MONTHLY O	 Ensure all fixings are securely fastened.
	 Check for missing or broken parts.
	 Ensure that protective covers are in place.





WATER PLAY EQUIPMENT EDUCATIONAL AND SENSORY PLAY ACTIVITIES



MONTHLY	 Routine visual inspection to identify the risks stemming from acts of vandalism, use or specific weather conditions. Ensure all fixings are securely fastened. Check for missing or broken parts. Ensure that protective covers are in place.
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• Check all the fixings. • Check the stability of the equipment.	
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- Inspect the anchoring systems.
- come unstuck.Check that the post is in good condition.
- Check the general condition of the coloured panels.
- Check for any leaks.
- Check that the containers are in good condition (checking for any leaks).

• Check that the wooden posts have not split open and that no layers have

• Clean the equipment thoroughly.

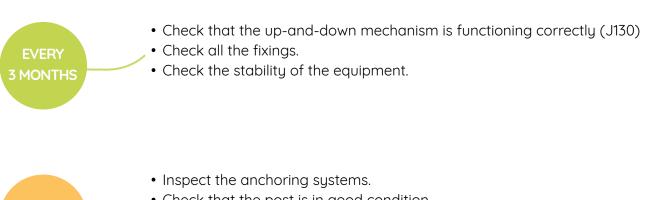


SAND PLAY EQUIPMENT EDUCATIONAL AND SENSORY PLAY ACTIVITIES



MONTHLY 0	 Routine visual inspection to identify the risks stemming from acts of vandalism, use or specific weather conditions. Ensure all fixings are securely fastened. Check for missing or broken parts. Ensure that protective covers are in place.
	Check that wooden posts are splinter free.

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- Check that the post is in good condition.
- Check the general condition of the coloured panels.
- Clean the equipment thoroughly.

SAND FACTORY EDUCATIONAL AND SENSORY PLAY ACTIVITIES



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- Ensure that protective covers are in place.
- Check that wooden posts are splinter free.

EVERY 3 MONTHS

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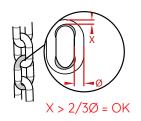
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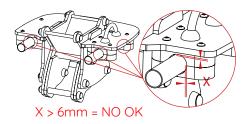
- Check the stability of the equipment.
- Ensure that the conveyor belt moves freely. If required adjust the tension.

Adjustment of the conveyor belt with the VTH8-30

Tightening = Increasing the belt tension Loosening = Decreasing the belt tension

- Check the chains on the crane and transporter for excessive wear (Replace the chain if a link is found to be over 1/3 smaller than its original diameter).
- Check the wear of the bearings on the wagon (if the space between the tube and the bearing is > 6mm, change the bearings).





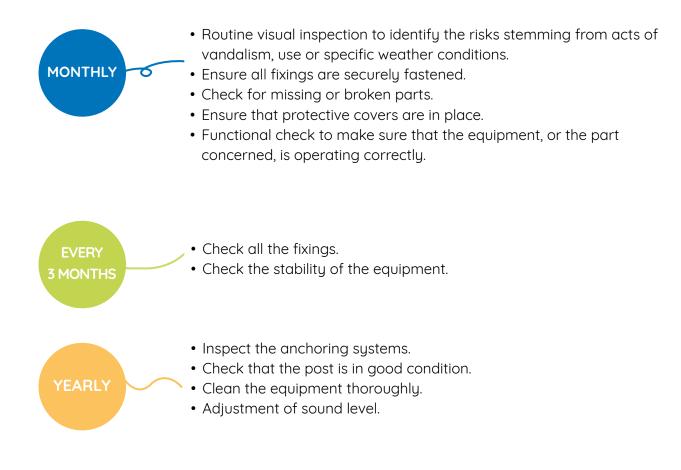
• Inspect the anchoring systems.

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- Check that the post is in good condition.
- Check the general condition of the coloured panels.
- Clean the equipment thoroughly.

YEARLY

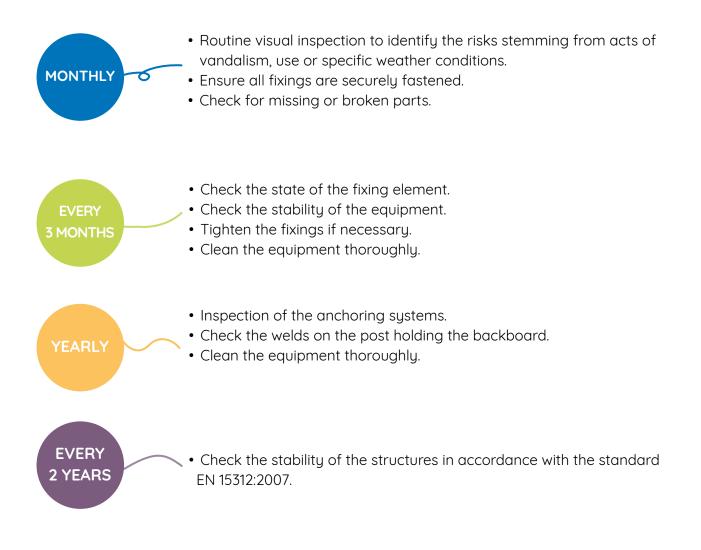
INTERACTIVE PLAY EXPERIENCES EDUCATIONAL AND SENSORY PLAY ACTIVITIES





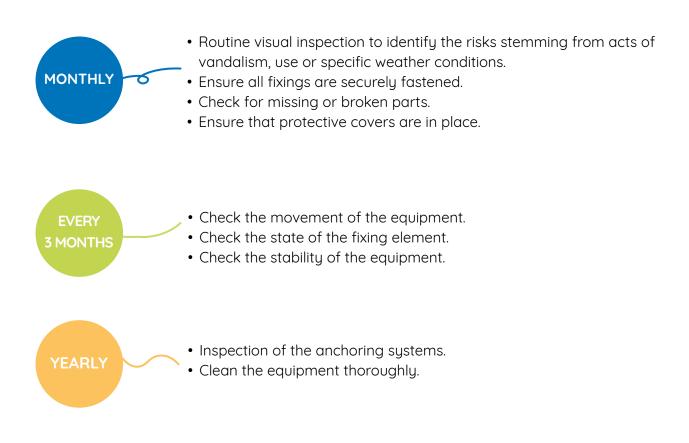






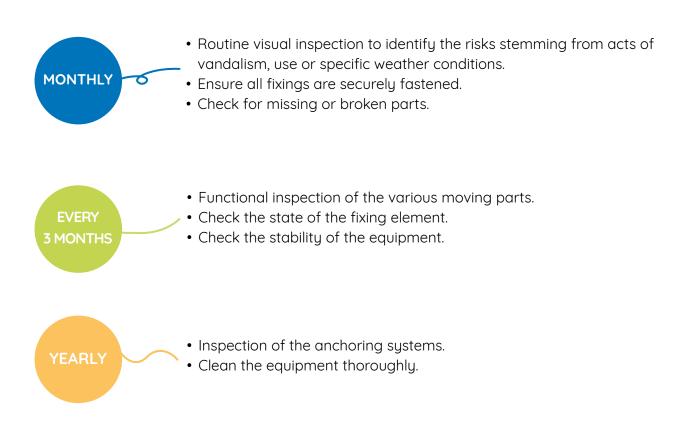




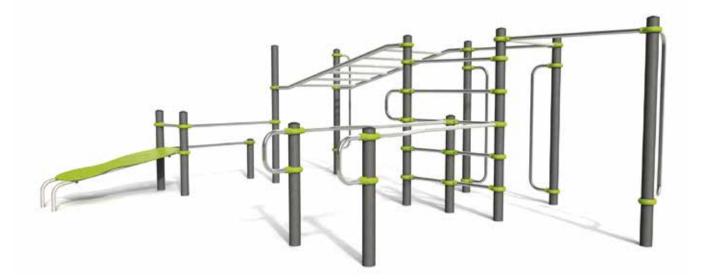


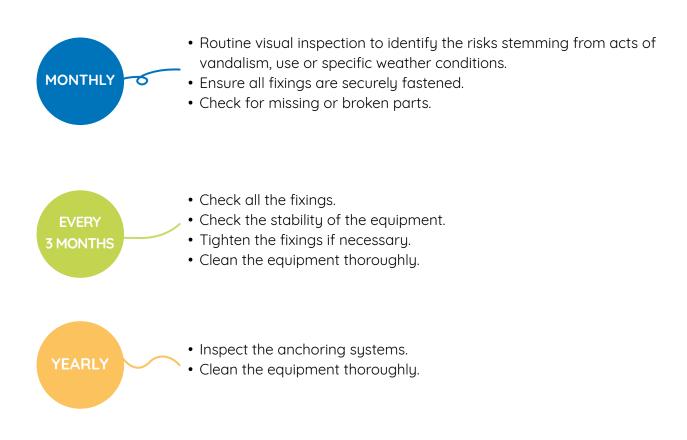










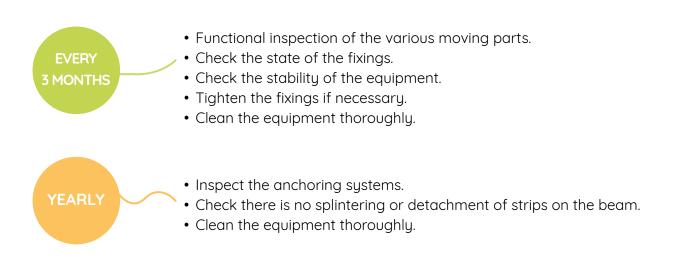








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- Ensure all fixings are securely fastened.
- Check for missing or broken parts.
- Ensure that the protective covers are in place.
- Check there is no splintering or detachment of strips on the wooden post.



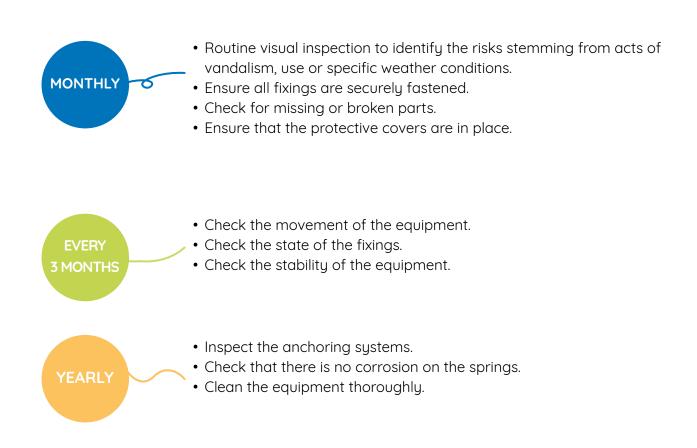




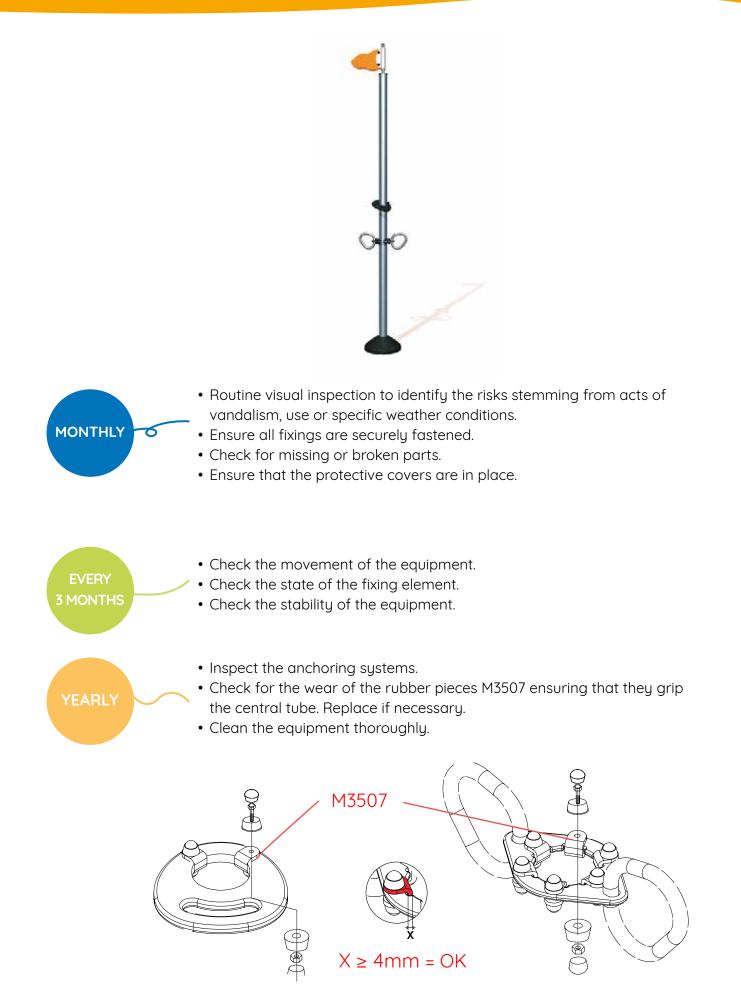
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EVERY 3 MONTHS	Check the state of the fixings.Check the stability of the equipment.Tighten the fixings if necessary.
YEARLY	 Inspect the anchoring systems. Check there is no splintering or detachment of strips on the beam. Clean the equipment thoroughly.



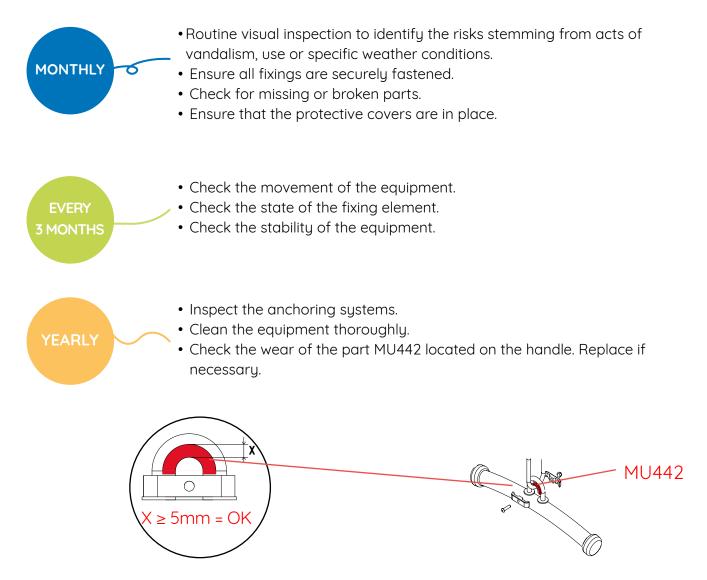






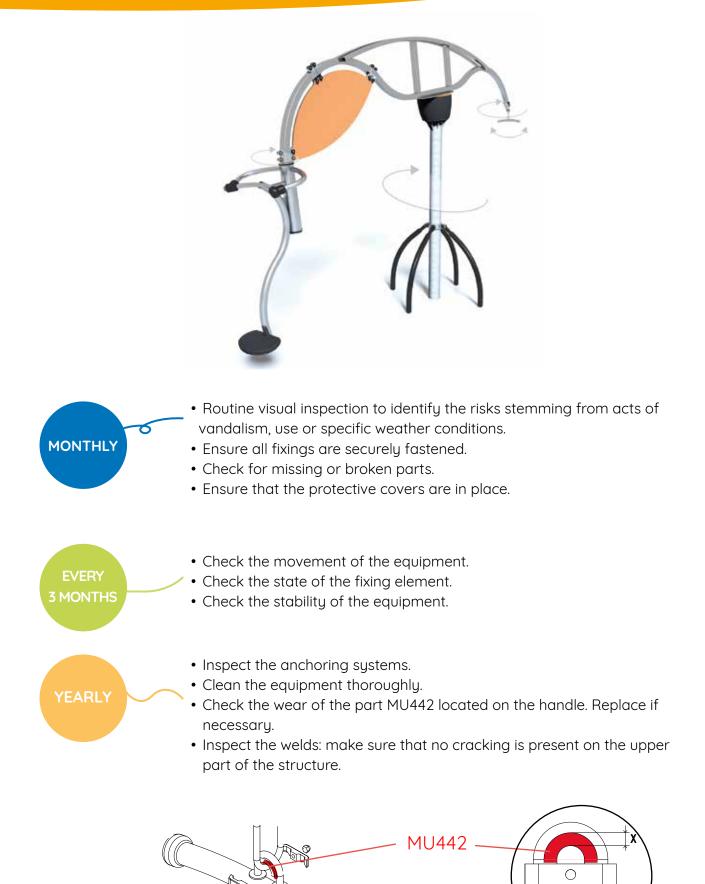








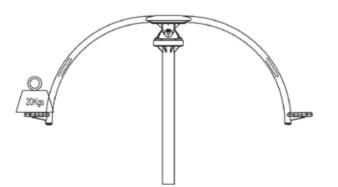




X≥5mm=Oł



1- Place a 20 kg weight on one of the two seats.



For the equipment versions which do not have the engraved notches, when subjected to a 20 Kg load, the angle must not exceed 20° relative to the vertical.











- Routine visual inspection to identify the risks stemming from acts of vandalism, use or specific weather conditions.
- Ensure all fixings are securely fastened.
- Check for missing or broken parts.



- Inspection of the anchoring systems.
- Thoroughly clean the elements.







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- Check for missing or broken parts.

• Inspection of the anchoring systems.

• Thoroughly clean the furniture.



ORGANISATION OF MAINTENANCE

European standard EN1176-7:2008 recommends that the playground operator draw up a specific MAINTENANCE SHEDULE for each playground, taking into account the manufacturers instructions and the local conditions of use.

To do so, we recommended keeping various documents likely to make maintenance easier and ensure that it is rational and efficient.



CONTENT OF OPERATIONS FOLDER

- Layout of the playground (drawn up by the municipal engineering department or the manufacturer).
- Technical data sheets for the equipment items.
- Assembly instructions.
- Certificates of conformity to standards.
- Maintenance schedule issued by the manufacturer.
- Maintenance schedule for each item of equipment.
- Records of the various interventions.
- Accident declaration form.
- Certificate of conformity to installation standards.



Rigorous organisation is essential for efficient maintenance. It ensures optimum durability of playgrounds and their equipment and enables the products to remain in compliance with the standards applicable.



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