AP 541 – SCHOOL PLAYGROUNDS: DEVELOPMENT AND USE

BACKGROUND

The division supports the development and use of its school playgrounds for school and community use.

PROCEDURES

1. The school grounds and the adjacent municipal park area, where available, shall be planned and designed cooperatively with the City of Saskatoon to provide for integrated use of both areas.

2. The division may make its playgrounds available for use by other organizations in accordance with approved procedures and fee schedules.

3. Notwithstanding Point #2, the needs of the division shall take priority over requests from outside organizations.

4. The division supports the need for, and value of, appropriate playground equipment on the school grounds. Where the division deems it necessary, it shall make provision for such equipment on school grounds.

   4.1. The Superintendent of Facilities, in association with facilities managers, is responsible for the planning, development, installation and maintenance of playground equipment located on school sites.

   4.2. The Superintendent of Facilities, in association with facilities managers, is responsible for the design and construction of children’s play spaces and equipment according to the most current version of the Canadian Standards Association, CAN/CSA-Z614-14 A National Standard of Canada.

   4.3. School building operators and facilities personnel shall ensure that safety inspections of the playgrounds, on the division’s property are undertaken on a regular basis.

   4.4. The facilities maintenance branch should be contacted if any repairs are needed.

5. The division supports the development of playgrounds on public reserves adjacent to school sites and is able to assist the City of Saskatoon with the planning of such playgrounds, for the mutual benefit of both organizations.

Reference: Section CAN/CSA-Z614-14 National Standard of Canada
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