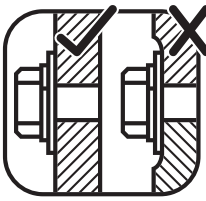
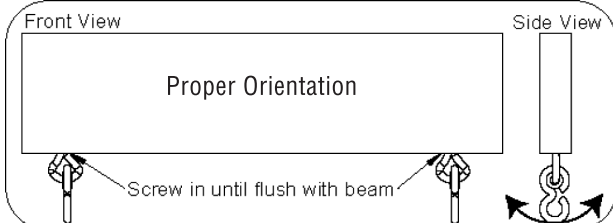
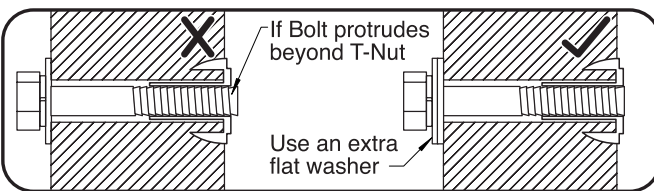


# Instructions for Proper Maintenance

Your Big Backyard Play System is designed and constructed of quality materials with your child's safety in mind. As with all outdoor products used by children, it will weather and wear. To maximize the enjoyment, safety and life of your Play Set, it is important that you, the owner, properly maintain it.

## Check the following at the beginning of the play season:

<p><b>HARDWARE:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Check metal parts for rust. If found, sand and repaint using a non-lead paint complying with 16 CFR 1303.</li> <li>✓ Inspect and tighten all hardware. On wood assemblies <b>DO NOT OVER-TIGHTEN</b> as to cause crushing and splintering of wood.</li> <li>✓ Check for sharp edges or protruding screw threads, add washers if required.</li> </ul> 	<p><b>SWING HANGERS:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Check that they are secure and orientated correctly. Hook should rotate freely and perpendicular to support beam.</li> <li>✓ If squeaking occurs lubricate bushings with oil or WD-40®.</li> </ul> 
	<p><b>SWINGS, ROPES AND RIDES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Reinstall if removed during cold season. Check all moving parts including swing seats, ropes, chains and attachments for wear, rust and other deterioration. Replace as needed.</li> <li>✓ Check that ropes are tight, secure at both ends and cannot loop back as to create an entrapment.</li> </ul> <p><b>WOOD PARTS:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Check all wood members for deterioration, structural damage and splintering. Sand down splinters and replace deteriorated wood members. As with all wood, some checking and small cracks in grain is normal.</li> <li>✓ Unprotected, they will appear weathered over time. Periodic application of an exterior water repellent or stain (water-based) will help improve appearance and life.</li> </ul>

## Check twice a month during play season:

<p><b>HARDWARE:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Inspect for tightness. Must be firmly against, but not crushing the wood. <b>DO NOT OVER-TIGHTEN.</b> This will cause splintering of wood.</li> <li>✓ Check for sharp edges or protruding screw threads. Add washers if required.</li> </ul>	<p><b>SHOCK ABSORBING SURFACING:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Rake and check depth of loose fill protective surfacing materials to prevent compaction and maintain appropriate depth. Replace as necessary. (See Protective Surfacing, page 3)</li> </ul>
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## Check once a month during play season:

<p><b>SWING HANGERS:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Check that they are secure and orientated correctly. Hook should rotate freely and perpendicular to support beam.</li> <li>✓ If squeaking occurs lubricate bushings with oil or WD-40®.</li> </ul>	<p><b>SWINGS AND RIDES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Check swing seats, all ropes, chains and attachments for fraying, wear, excessive corrosion or damage. Replace if structurally damaged or deteriorated.</li> </ul>
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## Check at the end of the play season:

<p><b>SWINGS AND RIDES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ To prolong their life, remove swings and store inside when outside temperature is below 32°F/0°C. Below freezing, plastic parts may become more brittle.</li> </ul>	<p><b>SHOCK ABSORBING SURFACING:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Rake and check depth of loose fill protective surfacing materials to prevent compaction and maintain appropriate depth. Replace as necessary. (See Protective Surfacing, page 3)</li> </ul>
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**If you dispose of your play set:** Please disassemble and dispose of your unit so that it does not create any unreasonable hazards at the time it is discarded. Be sure to follow your local waste ordinances.