

PLAYGROUND ADVISORY SERVICE



PLAYGROUND SAFETY WORKSHOPS

About the Safety Workshops

Kidsafe WA's Playground Safety workshops aim to reduce playground injuries through increased understanding of the current Playground Safety Standards and adoption of assessment and inspection techniques that comply with Australian Playground Standards.

These hands-on workshops include on-site inspections using relevant inspection tools; and the Participant Kit includes a workbook and course notes.

Our next 2 day workshop will be held on:

**Thursday 14th & Friday 15th July
Room G-4, SGIO Building
46 Collins Street, West Perth**

The Kidsafe WA Playground Advisory Service's Playground Safety Workshops can also be tailored to your organisation's needs and/or conducted at your premises. Please talk to one of our Playground Consultants to discuss this option.



CONTACT A PLAYGROUND CONSULTANT

METROPOLITAN ENQUIRIES – 08 9340 8939

COUNTRY ENQUIRIES – 0428 875 503

Who should attend?

- Local Government employees:
 - Parks Supervisors
 - Maintenance Staff
 - Landscape Design Staff
 - Risk Managers
- Early Childhood & Children's Services
 - Students
 - Early Childhood Professionals
 - Child Care Licensing Officers
- Primary Schools:
 - Principals
 - P & C's
 - Grounds Maintenance Staff
- Landscape Architects and Designers
- Agencies providing playgrounds
- Health Promotion Officers and Health professionals
- Equipment manufacturers, designers and representatives.

The Importance of Playground Safety

The Playground Advisory Service (PAS) promotes the provision of safe, creative play environments that comply with safety standards and provides technical and design information to support playground providers to achieve this.

On average, 10 children are injured each week at a WA Playground; and each year over 750 children present at PMH as a result of a playground fall. Although playground injuries occur in many playground settings and can be as a result of many different factors, Kidsafe WA believes the majority of these injuries are preventable.

Given the injury statistics and the resultant potential for litigation, it is imperative that all playground providers ensure playgrounds comply with and are maintained in accordance with the current Australian Standards. Playground inspectors and maintenance staff should be familiar with and competent to assess against Australian Playground Standards. The Playground Advisory Service's Playground Safety Workshop is a prerequisite for Accredited Courses such as those conducted by the University of Technology Sydney.

child safety is no accident

The Workshops Cover:

- Common playground injuries
- Australian and New Zealand playground equipment & surfacing standards (AS4685:2004; AS/NZS4422:1996; and AS/NZS4486.1:1997)
- Risk management/legal requirements: documentation and record keeping
- Strategies for ensuring playground equipment is maintained in compliance with Australian Standards
- Prioritising hazards and issues identified during inspections
- Maintenance issues
- Under-surfacing
- On-site inspection
- An understanding of the planning process to develop safe and creative playspaces
- The Importance of Play.

Quality Presenters

Workshop presenters at the Playground Advisory Service have a range of qualifications and experience including health, social science, children's services, child and community development; and are qualified Level 2 & 3 Playground Inspectors (through UTS*).

They have extensive experience in presenting to large and small groups from a variety of backgrounds and are consistently evaluated as excellent by participants.

Comments from Previous Participants:

"Easy to understand and great hands on in the field experience"

" I particularly enjoyed the practical component of the course, putting what we had learnt into practice"

"An exceptional & concise presentation."

For any further information about Playground Safety Workshops contact:

Tracy on 0428 875 503

How to Register

Please complete the attached Workshop Registration Form and return to Kidsafe WA.

* University of Technology Sydney, School of Engineering – nationally recognised leader in playground safety training.

Other PAS Services Provided

The Playground Advisory Service provides a one-stop shop for all playground enquiries including:

- Independent playground safety inspections and assessments
- Technical information on all aspects of playground development, safety and management
- Workshops in playground development, safety, inspection & maintenance
- Safe design strategies for nature-based playgrounds
- Research into playground safety
- Playground design review & evaluation
- Assistance in interpreting the Standards.

The Playground Advisory Service provides leadership and guidance towards increased provision of quality playgrounds in WA.

About Kidsafe WA

Kidsafe WA is an independent, non-government, not-for-profit charity organisation dedicated to preventing unintentional injuries to children.

Kidsafe WA works with government, industry, other non-government groups and individuals to raise awareness about child safety hazards and how to avoid them.



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REGISTRATION FORM

DATES	VENUE	TIMES
Thursday - Friday 14-15 July 2011	Room G-4, SGIO Building 46 Collins Street, West Perth	9am – 5pm

YOUR CONTACT DETAILS

Name:			
Job Title/Position:			
Employer/Organisation:			
Address:			
Suburb:		Post code:	
Work telephone:		Mobile:	
Email:			

REASON FOR ATTENDING THIS WORKSHOP

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BACKGROUND / PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE IN PLAYGROUND INSPECTION OR MAINTENANCE

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WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO GAIN FROM ATTENDING THIS WORKSHOP

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REGISTRATION FEE

\$400.00 PER PERSON

An invoice will be sent to the address provided on this registration form.
Registration fee payable 14 days before workshop.

GETTING THERE – SGIO VENUE

BY CAR

Parking is available in the City of Perth multi-story car park off Mayfair. Limited street parking.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Train: Fremantle line, Nearest Train Station: City West

Bus: CAT Buses from the City, Yellow CAT stop 20 (Colin St, north of Hay), Red CAT stop 22 (Hay St, before Emerald Tce)

RETURN TO KIDSAFE WA

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