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About the RPII

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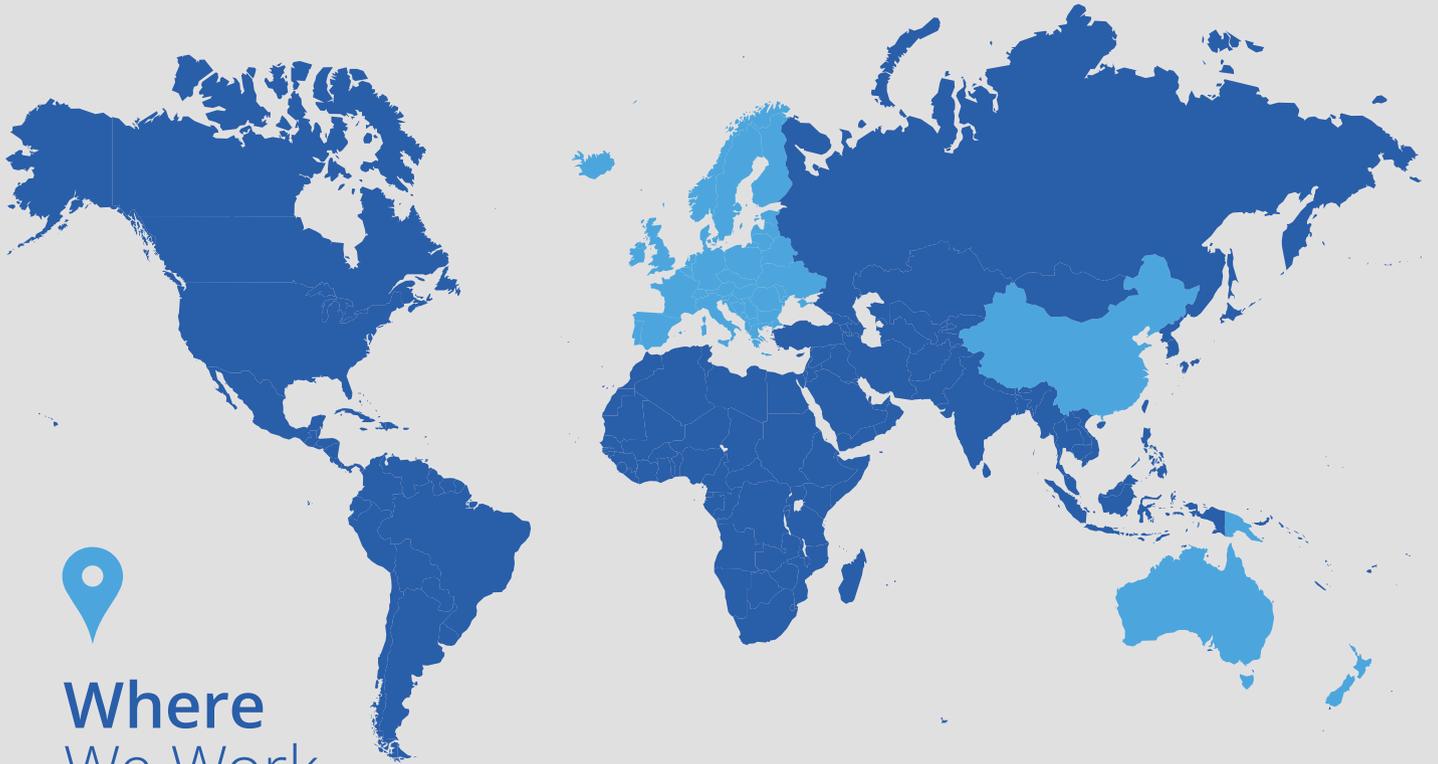
The Register of Play Inspectors International (RPII) is the official UK body for examining, accrediting and certifying inflatable, indoor and outdoor play inspectors. The RPII also accredits courses for the training of inspectors to ensure that playground safety standards are met and adhered to for your complete peace of mind.

Ensuring play safety is essential - both for the protection of the children using the equipment and to mitigate risk for the councils, schools and organisations in charge of these play areas.

By using accredited playground inspectors, providers can be sure that they meet the strict criteria set by the RPII and that they've been fully trained to conduct inspections to the required levels of competence.

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Play Area & Equipment Safety

RPII playground safety and equipment inspections include Annual Safety Inspection and Reports, Post-Installation Safety Inspection, Operational and Routine Inspections

All of our registered inspectors meet our high standards for assessing children's play areas and equipment, covering 3 specific areas: **Outdoor, Indoor & Inflatable**



Outdoor



Indoor



Inflatable

The RPII Seal

Look out for the RPII Annual Members Seal of Authenticity.

What do they mean?

These seals, which detail the inspector's name, registration number and type of qualification (Indoor, Outdoor or Inflatable) are more than just additions to a cover of a report.

They're proof that the person inspecting the play area is qualified to do so. These seals are only issued to **RPII Annual Inspectors** to help distinguish between the different levels of qualification that the RPII offer.

It is vitally important to ensure the person inspecting your play area has the correct qualification and to the correct level – for your benefit and the children playing on the area.



Why is the seal so important?

Play areas need to be safe for those who play in them and to ensure peace of mind for those who are in charge of them. This means regular inspections in order to ensure the equipment is safe, secure, and adheres to the British and European standards.

The standards a play area should adhere to differ based on the type of play area it is. Annual inspections are by far the most thorough, and therefore before you undertake an annual inspection, you need to ensure the person you've chosen is qualified.

These inspections require extensive knowledge and experience, as the wear and tear of the equipment will impact the way it operates, which could potentially make it unsafe. Annual inspectors are also qualified to do post-installation inspections, which ensure a newly built play area meets the safety requirements.

Routine and Operational inspectors of outdoor equipment are not registered as competent to carry out annual inspections. Routine inspectors can carry out outdoor inspections on a daily or weekly basis, dependent on how often the play area is used.

Operational inspectors carry out inspections on a monthly or quarterly basis but these cannot be used in place of an annual inspection.

Similarly, an inflatable annual inspector cannot carry out an indoor annual inspection, and vice versa.

Whilst each inspector is qualified to do a specific inspection, it is important to find the right one with the correct knowledge for your inspection.

If you have any concerns, remember...

To ensure you've got the right person for the job, ask to see their seal. It should be attached to the front of an inspection report, and the inspector's details may be checked online at the RPII website (www.playinspectors.com) where full contact details of all annual qualified inspectors can be found.



Safety and your peace of mind

To ensure your play area is safe, make sure you use an inspector with the necessary qualification.

If you built it to the safety standards required, the best way to ensure it maintains those standards & remains fit for use is to have it regularly inspected by someone who can see those faults that may not be visible to the untrained eye.

To prevent fraudulent inspections, unsafe equipment and risking children's safety...

...remember to look for the seal.

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Outdoor Annual

Inspectors competent in carrying out Annual and Post Installation Inspections. The Annual Inspector has proven his/her ability through examination. Re-assessment is carried out via attendance at CPD events (British Isles only - outside British Isles by examination after the first 3 years initially, then every 5 years).

They have provided confirmation of the relevant insurance cover as follows:

- **Public Liability - £5,000,000.00 (minimum)**
- **Professional Indemnity Insurance - £500,000.00 (minimum)**

All Annual Outdoor Inspectors have completed a DBS check formally known as CRB.

Sign and abide by the Code of Conduct (annually)

The Annual Inspectors of outdoor play equipment pay an Annual Membership Fee and are entitled to use the RPII Logo (prior permission must be sought from the Company Secretary).





Outdoor Operational

Inspectors competent in carrying out Monthly or Quarterly operational inspections. The Operational level inspector has proven his/her ability via a written and practical examination valid for a three year period. After such time re-assessment is required.



Outdoor Routine

Inspectors competent in carrying out visual Daily/Weekly inspections of play areas. The Routine level inspector has proven his/her ability via examination valid for a three year period. After such time re-examination is required.

Exam centres can be found on the website



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Inflatable Annual

Inspectors competent in carrying out Annual and Post Manufacture Inspections. The Annual Inspector has proven his/her ability through examination. Re-assessment is carried out via attendance at CPD events (British Isles only - outside British Isles by examination after the first 3 years initially, then every 5 years).

They have provided confirmation of the relevant insurance cover as follows:

- **Public Liability - £2,000,000.00 (minimum)**
- **Professional Indemnity Insurance - £500,000.00 (minimum)**

Sign and abide by the Code of Conduct (annually)

The Annual Inspectors of inflatable play equipment pay an Annual Membership Fee and are entitled to use the RPII Logo (prior permission must be sought from the Company Secretary).



Indoor Annual

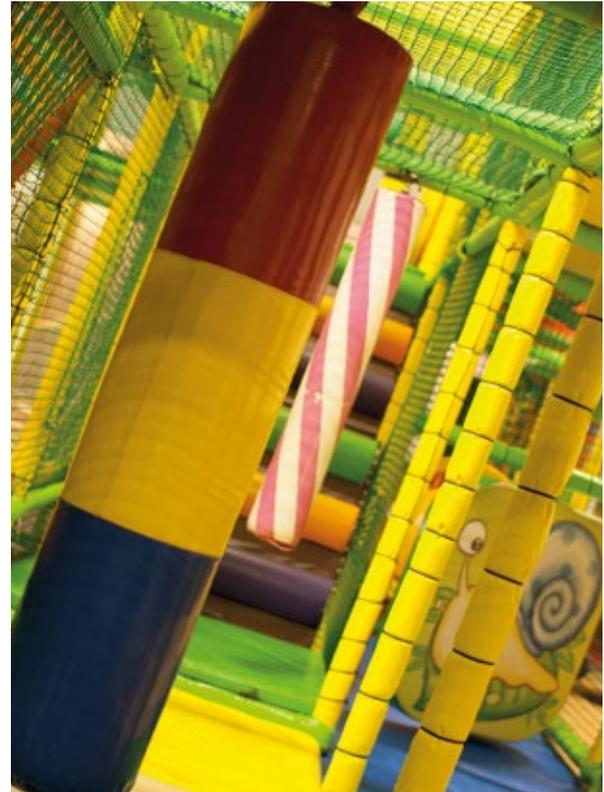
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They have provided confirmation of the relevant insurance cover as follows:

- **Public Liability - £5,000,000.00 (minimum)**
- **Professional Indemnity Insurance - £500,000.00 (minimum)**

Sign and abide by the Code of Conduct (annually)

The Annual Inspectors of indoor play areas pay an Annual Membership Fee are entitled to use the RPII Logo (prior permission must be sought from the Company Secretary).



The Schools Qualification

This qualification was launched in 2016 for Routine and Operational Inspections of school play areas.

We identified a need for a new qualification which is specifically aimed at schools managing the routine and operational inspections of their outdoor playgrounds.

This is a 3 year, RPII accredited qualification. It is an image based written and practical assessment, which can be carried out at one of our examination centres.



Subjects to cover: Scope of Qualification

- Risk assessment
- Reporting Procedures
- Inspection Procedures
- Legal Aspects
- Immobilisation of Equipment
- Timber
- Steel
- Plastics
- Rope
- Chains and Connections
- Tyres
- Different types of surfacing
- Cleanliness
- Vegetation



This qualification is ideal for anyone responsible for managing, inspecting & maintaining school play areas such as:

**Contractors working on single school sites,
School Site Managers, PTA Members, Head Teachers,
Nursery Teachers.**



Equipment covered:

- Activity Trails
- Ball Shoots
- Play Panels
- Climbing Frames
- Multi Plays
- MUGA's
- Outdoor Classrooms
- Ancillary Equipment, Benches, Bins, Gates, Fences
- Any Other Static Equipment
- Tyre Trails
- Safer Surfacing CFH HIC etc



Not covered:

- Swings
- Rocking Equipment
- Rotating Equipment
- Wheeled Sports
- Any Other Equipment With
- Dynamic Movement

*Keeping your
playgrounds safe*



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