

# 2009 Kentucky Recreation & Park Society / NRPA National Playground Safety Institute Safety Inspector Certification Course & Exam

September 22-24, 2009 at Tower Park – Fort Thomas (KY)



#### Who Should Attend...

- ✓ Administrators
- ✓ Supervisory Personnel
- ✓ Public Works Department
- ✓ Grounds Maintenance Staff
- ✓ Engineers & Architects
- ✓ Playground Equipment Reps
- ✓ Operators of Playgrounds in Parks, Schools, Summer Camps, Day Camps, Day Care Centers
- ✓ Agencies such as: YMCA, YWCA, Boys and Girls Clubs, Athletic Leagues

Host: Fort Thomas Recreation Dept.  
 Course: Sep. 22-23, 2009  
 Exam: Sep. 24, 2009  
 Site: Tower Park  
 Fort Thomas, KY

## ***Are your playgrounds safe?***

According to the Consumer Product Safety Commission, 200,000 children are treated annually for playground accidents. Of these, 70 percent, or 140,000 occurred at public parks and schoolyards.

Sponsored by the Kentucky Recreation & Park Society and NRPA National Playground Safety Institute, this course is the most comprehensive training program on playground hazard identification and risk management methods offered. *Advanced reading and 10 hours of training will prepare you for the Certified Playground Safety Inspector Exam* scheduled at the culmination of this certification course.

### ***Program Highlights***

- Injury Statistics
- History of Playground Equipment
- Hazard Identification
- Safe Surfacing Materials
- Playground Equipment Accessibility
- Playground Site Visit
- Safety Management
- Audit Objectives & Procedures
- Maintenance Procedures & Standards
- Question and Answer Session
- Exam Study Time

### ***Each Participant Will Receive:***

- A Course Manual
- "Playground Safety Is No Accident" (3<sup>rd</sup> Edition)

Resource materials are included in the registration fee and will be mailed upon registration payment.



**TO REGISTER, CALL 502-696-9834 OR FAX 502-696-9815 OR VISIT WWW.KYREC.ORG**



## Registration Form

# National Playground Safety Institute

Institute: September 22-23, 2009 | Exam: September 24, 2009

Please complete this form for each participant, and return with payment to:  
**NPSI, c/o Kentucky Recreation & Park Society**  
213 Saint Clair Street, Suite 204, Frankfort, KY 40601-1845

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization/Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

*(shipping address – textbooks will be sent to the above address)*

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Special assistance or diet required? \_\_\_\_\_

|   | Member Rate | Non-Member    |       |
|---|-------------|---------------|-------|
| Playground Safety Institute Registration<br><i>Advance reading is highly recommended for those<br/>Individuals taking the exam, one month prior is suggested.</i> | \$385       | \$450         | _____ |
| National Certification Exam<br><i>Photo identification is required for this exam.</i>   | \$100       | \$125         | _____ |
| Lunch – Two Days  | \$30        | \$30          | _____ |
|   |             | <b>Total:</b> | _____ |

Checks should be made payable to: **Kentucky Recreation & Park Society**  
*KRPS is a 501 (c)3 tax exempt organization, Fed ID # 31-0985453*

*Thank you for your dedication to making playgrounds safer for our children!*



# General Information

## Class Size / Registration

Space is limited so you are encouraged to register early. Registration is on a first come, first served basis. A minimum registration of 40 is required by NRPA. If minimum is not met, you will be notified by September 1, 2009.

## Cancellation Policy

A service charge of \$125 will be deducted from all refunds for administrative charges and textbook materials. A full refund, less the service charge will be granted if an application for refund is received in the KRPS office at least 14 days prior to the day of the event. No request for refund will be honored on the day of the event.

## Continuing Education Units

Earn 1.2 CEUs while participating in this seminar. If you are certified through the Kentucky Recreation & Park Society Certification Board, CEU information will be forwarded to the Certification Board for your official record and you will need to keep a copy for your official transcript.

## SCHEDULE WITH A SITE VISIT

### DAY ONE

|              |   |
|--------------|---|
| 7:30-8:00 am | Registration  |
| 8:00-8:45 am | Welcome & Course Introduction                                     |
| 8:45-9:15 am | Foundation and Injury Statistics                                  |
| 9:15-9:30 am | <i>Break</i>  |
| 9:30-Noon    | Hazard ID, Parts 1 and 2  |
| Noon-1:00 pm | <i>Lunch</i>  |
| 1:00-1:45 pm | Applied Exercise 1 – use of test probes and gauges                |
| 1:45-2:45 pm | Hazard ID, Part 3   |
| 2:45-3:00 pm | <i>Break</i>  |
| 3:00-4:00 pm | Hazard ID, Part 4   |
| 4:00-4:45 pm | Surfacing, Part 1   |
| 4:45-5:00 pm | Exam Preparation / Question & Answer Period / Homework Assignment |



## Certification

Those taking the course are eligible to take the Playground Safety Inspectors Exam given immediately after the course. Upon successful passage of the exam, you will be certified through the National Recreation & Park Association as a Certified Playground Safety Inspector (CPSI) for a three year period. Certificates will be awarded and your name will be added to a national roster of CPSIs.

## Lodging

Comfort Suites is offering special rates -- \$70 rate for government employees (show ID at check-in) & \$97 for non-govt. participants – for a standard room. This rate is valid until September 1, 2009. For reservations, phone 859-291-6700, and mention group “Kentucky Recreation & Park Society – Code 4784”

## Questions

If you have any questions and/or comments, please contact the KRPS Office at 502-696-9834 or (by email) at [KYREC@KYREC.ORG](mailto:KYREC@KYREC.ORG).

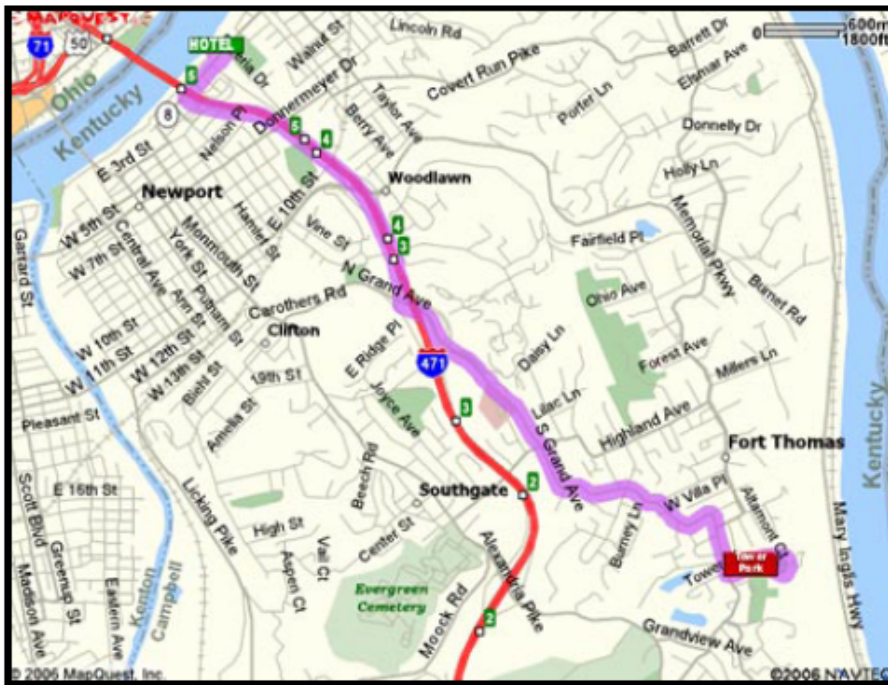
| <b>FEES</b>                           | <b>KRPS NRPA</b> | <b>Non-Member</b> |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Course Registration                   | \$385            | \$450             |
| Optional Examination                  | \$100            | \$125             |
| Optional Lunches<br><i>(two days)</i> | \$30             | \$30              |

### DAY TWO

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|----------------|--|
| 8:00-8:45 am   | Surfacing, Part 2                                  |
| 8:45-9:15 am   | Safety Management – Comprehensive Program / Audits |
| 9:15-9:30 am   | <i>Break</i>                                       |
| 9:30-10:00 am  | Safety Management – Inspections & Maintenance      |
| 10:00-11:45 am | Applied Exercise 2 – Hazard ID Prioritization      |
| 11:45-Noon     | Question & Answer Period                           |
| Noon-1:00 pm   | <i>Lunch</i>                                       |
| 1:00-3:15 pm   | Applied Exercise 3 – Site Investigation            |
| 3:15-3:30 pm   | <i>Break</i>                                       |
| 3:30-4:30 pm   | Site Investigation Wrap Up                         |
| 4:30-5:00 pm   | Question & Answer Period<br><i>(Program Ends)</i>  |

### DAY THREE

|               |                                    |
|---------------|------------------------------------|
| 8:00-9:00 am  | Check-in                           |
| 9:00-11:00 am | Two-Hour Certification Examination |



## How will this seminar benefit you and your organization?

- **Maintenance**  
Learn how to identify safety hazards on the playground, and the steps needed for correction.
- **Administration**  
Review of risk management techniques and liability problems, implementation of risk management programs. How to conduct an audit of your playgrounds.
- **Resources**  
Become familiar with the US Consumer Products Safety Commission Guidelines and the ASTM Standard for Public Use of Playground Equipment Safety. Identify the differences between them and their impact on playground safety.
- **Accessibility**  
Learn about safety in accessibility and the recommendations of the ASTM standard.
- **Surfacing**  
Become aware of the characteristics of the various surfaces used on playgrounds.

### Directions to Tower Park

#### **From the South**

Take I-75 N to I-275 E to I-471 N. Take Exit #2 (Southgate/Ft. Thomas). Turn right off the exit, go to the second stop light. Turn left on Grandview Ave. Go to the stop sign. Turn left on S. Ft. Thomas Ave and go approx. ½ mile. Turn right on Douglas St. The Community Center is straight ahead.

#### **From the Hotel and the North**

Take I-471 S to Exit #3 (Grand Ave/ KY1892), taking the ramp toward Ft. Thomas. Turn left onto N Grand Ave/ KY1892 E. Go approx. 2 miles. KY1892 E becomes S Ft. Thomas Ave/KY1120. Turn left on Douglas St,

which becomes Clitz St. The Community Center is straight ahead.

### Directions to Comfort Suites Hotel

420 Riverboat Row in Newport near KY8 (Exit 5) of I-471.

#### **From Lexington**

Take I-75 N to I-275 E. Then take I-471 N to Exit #5 (Newport/Bellevue). Make a right at the bottom of exit. The hotel is on the left.

#### **From Louisville**

Take I-71 N to I-275 E. Then take I-471 N to Exit #5 (Newport/Bellevue). Make a right at the bottom of exit. The hotel is on the left.

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