

## **Housing Channel**

### **Title: Estate Playground Safety**

VO Today's estates have many leisure facilities  
Their playgrounds are very popular with children  
So children can play safely with no worry for parents  
the Housing Department (HD) is installing  
bright new playground facilities in its estates  
Safety and good maintenance are HD priorities  
so that all HD playgrounds  
meet international safety standards  
The HD engages professional consultants  
to inspect all estate playgrounds every two years  
Improvements are made based on suggestions  
by these independent consultants  
These include replacing facilities  
that don't meet the latest safety standards  
Playground facilities nowadays  
all meet international safety standards  
in areas like safety mat thickness, fall-safe areas  
partitions, railings, handrails, etc.  
Estate staff make daily checks  
to ensure the facilities are not damaged  
and the installations are secure  
and in good working order  
If facilities need repair or replacement  
technicians or suppliers are informed at once

for detailed checks and follow-up work

The time needed for repairs

depends on the complexity of the work

and whether the materials are easily available

If any potential dangers are identified

the HD takes immediate action

to stop the public using the facilities

This is to ensure safety

Children should also use playgrounds properly

to keep themselves safe

for example, by reading playground notice boards

and using equipment suited to their age and ability

Parents should be present

to help their toddlers and look after them

Playgrounds are public property

We must all look after our playgrounds

so our children can play safely there