

# Tips For Using **PROTECTIVE SURFACING** For Swing Sets



Use energy-absorbing protective surfacing for toddlers.



Use loose-fill protective surfacing such as sand and pea gravel for older children.

Consider using safety-tested rubber mulch or rubber tile.



Consider using non-CCA-treated wood mulch.

Periodically check and follow the guidelines provided by CPSC.



Avoid layering dirt and grass as protective surfacing.

Avoid deploying carpets that do not comply with ASTM F1292 standards.



#### References:

1. Handbook For Public Playground Safety; CPSC
2. Public Playground Safety Checklist; CPSC
3. Fall Surfacing; NPPS & University of Northern Iowa