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Annual Inspection

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Risk Assessment Matrix

Probability>>	5	Very High	VL	L	M	H	VH
	4	High	VL	L	M	H	H
	3	Moderate	VL	L	L	M	M
	2	Low	VL	L	L	L	L
	1	Very Low	VL	VL	VL	VL	VL
		Very Low	Low	Moderate	High	Very High	
		1	2	3	4	5	

Severity>>

Probability Score	Probability of Occurrence
1 – Very Low	No significant probability; lightning Strike
2 – Low	Minimal probability of occurrence. Requires significant factor or combination of factors to take place. Significant increase in intensity of use.
3 – Moderate	Moderate probability. An added factor is needed to cause an accident. Designed use is unlikely to be problematic, additional factor is required. Covers or guards loose, removed or vandalised. Absent guard rail or barrier at high levels
4 – High	High probability. Accident is probable without any added factor. Glass contaminant in loose fill surface. Exposed sharp edges on equipment.
5 – Very High	Very High probability. If the situation is not addressed an accident is almost certain. Severely worn chains/shackles. Severely damaged surfacing within impact area

Severity Score	Severity of injury
1 – Very Low	No injury likely e.g. damaged or soiled clothing, minor bruising
2 – Low	Minor injury – Laceration or bruising requiring first aid only
3 – Moderate	Injury requiring medical intervention e.g. laceration requiring stitches, sprain, fracture of small bones of hand or foot.
4 – High	Serious injury including hospitalisation for observation e.g. concussion, fracture of long bones of leg/arm, back/neck injuries, fractured skull.
5 – Very High	Severe injury involving the potential for permanent disability e.g. amputation, loss of sight, spinal injury, fatality.

NB: When we inspect we only see a snapshot of the current condition of the equipment. It is the operator's responsibility to ensure that there is a continuing level of maintenance to keep the equipment in good working order and the site fit for use.

BS EN 1176:2008 Parts 1-11 (Playground equipment and surfacing)
 BS EN 14974 (Facilities for users of roller sports equipment)
 BS EN 15312 (Free access multi-sports equipment)
 BS 10075 (Specification for Parkour Equipment)

Site Information

Inspection Ref: 177338

Site Ref: 16529

Customer Order No: None

Annual Inspection - 11 September 2015 at 08:06 Inspector: Matt Clay (RPII Annual Inspector)

Risk Assessment: **8 - Low Risk**



Location: The site is partially overlooked by properties in the local community

Disabled Access: Severely limited access – an area that presents serious barriers to disabled people, even when skilled help is at hand.



6 - Low Risk

Item: Ancillary Items - Sign
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface Type: N/A
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 3



Finding 1

It is recommended that information signs with emergency contact details are installed at each entrance/exit point to the playground - Provide in accordance with the recommendations set out in BS EN 1176

Finding 2

There is some strimmer damage apparent on the posts, this can penetrate the preservative applied to the timber and accelerate the rotting process - Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required

Finding 3

There is some evidence of rot in the timber - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required



6 - Low Risk

Item: Ancillary Items - Bench
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface Type: N/A
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

There is some strimmer damage apparent on the posts, this can penetrate the preservative applied to the timber and accelerate the rotting process - Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required



6 - Low Risk

Item: Ancillary Items - Picnic Table
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface Type: N/A
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 2



Finding 1

There is some strimmer damage apparent on the posts, this can penetrate the preservative applied to the timber and accelerate the rotting process - Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required

Finding 2

There is some evidence of rot in the timber - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required



3 - Very Low Risk

Item: Ancillary Items - Litter Bin
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface Type: N/A
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required



8 - Low Risk

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat)
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds
Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 8



Finding 1

The grass mats are silted up and the soil is compacted; this may have an effect on the impact absorbing properties of the surface - Lift and relay mats or test impact absorbing properties to ensure the correct surface qualities are maintained for the equipment

Finding 2

There are gaps opening between the grass mat tiles - Reinstate surface

Finding 3

The bushes are showing signs of wear - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

Finding 4

The seat has minor damage or wear - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

Finding 5

The chain openings are in excess of the 8.6mm as recommended by BS EN 1176 - Monitor use and replace with compliant chains during next maintenance cycle.

Finding 6

There is some strimmer damage apparent on the posts, this can penetrate the preservative applied to the timber and accelerate the rotting process - Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required

Finding 7

There is some chain wear - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace when 40% worn

Finding 8

The timber has a number of air cracks apparent, the splits will have penetrated the preservative applied to the timber and allow water ingress to the unprotected areas - Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required



8 - Low Risk

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Cradle)
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds
Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 3



Finding 1

The grass mats are silted up and the soil is compacted; this may have an effect on the impact absorbing properties of the surface - Lift and relay mats or test impact absorbing properties to ensure the correct surface qualities are maintained for the equipment

Finding 2

The connecting links are in excess of 8.6mm and less than 12mm and fail the requirements of BS EN 1176: 2008 Part 1; clause 4.2.13, Chains - Monitor use and replace with compliant connectors at the next maintenance cycle

Finding 3

There is some chain wear - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace when 40% worn



8 - Low Risk

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds
Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 7



Finding 1

There is a toggle entrapment at the top of the slide - Monitor Use

Finding 2

The unit is easily accessible and should have the appropriate barriers installed as the height of the unit exceeds 600mm - Monitor use

Finding 3

There is some strimmer damage apparent on the posts, this can penetrate the preservative applied to the timber and accelerate the rotting process - Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required

Finding 4

A number of fixing(s) have worked loose - Secure all loose fixings

Finding 5

The timber has a number of air cracks apparent, the splits will have penetrated the preservative applied to the timber and allow water ingress to the unprotected areas - Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required

Finding 6

There is some evidence of rot in the timber - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

Finding 7

A number of fixing(s) have worked loose - Secure all loose fixings



8 - Low Risk

Item: Activity Equipment - Log Climber
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds
Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 9



Finding 1

There is some evidence of rot in the timber - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

Finding 2

There is some strimmer damage apparent on the posts, this can penetrate the preservative applied to the timber and accelerate the rotting process - Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required

Finding 3

The balance beam forms a hard object within the falling space of the equipment in contravention of the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - Monitor use

Finding 4

The item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176:2008 Part 1 4.2.7.2 for head and neck entrapment between the timbers - Monitor use

Finding 5

A number of fixing(s) have worked loose - Secure all loose fixings

Finding 6

There is some evidence of rot in the timber crossbar - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

Finding 7

The connecting links are in excess of 8.6mm and less than 12mm and fail the requirements of BS EN 1176:2008 Part 1; clause 4.2.13, Chains - Monitor use and replace with compliant links at the next maintenance cycle

Finding 8

The timber has a number of air cracks apparent, the splits will have penetrated the preservative applied to the timber and allow water ingress to the unprotected areas - Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required

Finding 9

There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged on the item - Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers



5 - Very Low Risk

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)
Manufacturer: Sport England
Surface Type: Tarmac
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: N/A
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 2



Finding 1

A clearly visible sign should be provided in a prominent position with the wording as detailed BS EN 15312 - the equipment is not intended for children less than 3 years old - the warning Do not climb on the framework or nets - the warning Do not hang on the ring (if provided) - the warning Do not wear rings or other jewellery - name and telephone number of the administrator - number to call in case of accident - Provide signage to BS EN 15312

Finding 2

There is some graffiti present - Remove the graffiti



6 - Low Risk

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface Type: Grass
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 5



Finding 1

There is some evidence of rot in the timber - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

Finding 2

The foundations are exposed - Reinstate surface levels as required

Finding 3

The slide start section incline is not in the direction of travel; it should slope towards the direction of the sliding surface - Monitor use

Finding 4

There is a toggle entrapment at the top of the slide - Monitor Use

Finding 5

The surface around the item is worn - Reinstate surface levels as required

Findings Information



2 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Ancillary Items - Sign
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: N/A



Finding: It is recommended that information signs with emergency contact details are installed at each entrance/exit point to the playground

Action: Provide in accordance with the recommendations set out in BS EN 1176



6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Ancillary Items - Sign
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: N/A



Finding: There is some strimmer damage apparent on the posts, this can penetrate the preservative applied to the timber and accelerate the rotting process

Action: Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required



6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Ancillary Items - Sign
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: N/A



Finding: There is some evidence of rot in the timber

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required



6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Ancillary Items - Bench
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: N/A



Finding: There is some strimmer damage apparent on the posts, this can penetrate the preservative applied to the timber and accelerate the rotting process

Action: Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required



6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Ancillary Items - Picnic Table
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: N/A



Finding: There is some strimmer damage apparent on the posts, this can penetrate the preservative applied to the timber and accelerate the rotting process

Action: Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required



6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Ancillary Items - Picnic Table
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: N/A



Finding: There is some evidence of rot in the timber

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required



8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat)
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The grass mats are silted up and the soil is compacted; this may have an effect on the impact absorbing properties of the surface

Action: Lift and relay mats or test impact absorbing properties to ensure the correct surface qualities are maintained for the equipment



6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat)
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: There are gaps opening between the grass mat tiles

Action: Reinstate surface



4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat)
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The bushes are showing signs of wear

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required



6 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat)
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The seat has minor damage or wear

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required



4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat)
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The chain openings are in excess of the 8.6mm as recommended by BS EN 1176

Action: Monitor use and replace with compliant chains during next maintenance cycle.



6 - Low Risk (Finding 6)

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat)
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: There is some strimmer damage apparent on the posts, this can penetrate the preservative applied to the timber and accelerate the rotting process

Action: Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required



6 - Low Risk (Finding 7)

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat)
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: There is some chain wear

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace when 40% worn



6 - Low Risk (Finding 8)

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat)
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The timber has a number of air cracks apparent, the splits will have penetrated the preservative applied to the timber and allow water ingress to the unprotected areas

Action: Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required



5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Cradle)
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The connecting links are in excess of 8.6mm and less than 12mm and fail the requirements of BS EN 1176: 2008 Part 1; clause 4.2.13, Chains

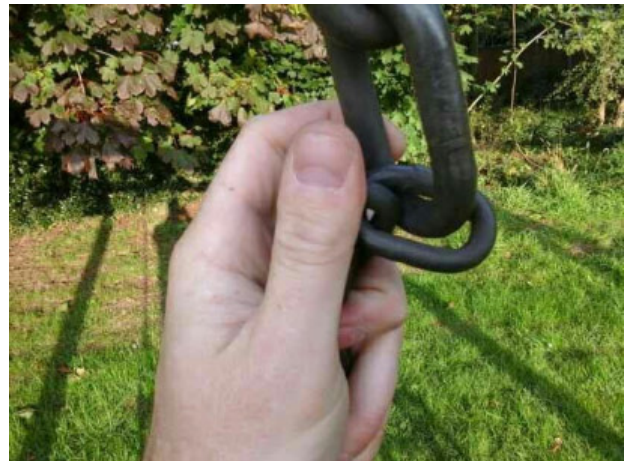
Action: Monitor use and replace with compliant connectors at the next maintenance cycle



6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Cradle)
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: There is some chain wear

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace when 40% worn



8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Cradle)
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The grass mats are silted up and the soil is compacted; this may have an effect on the impact absorbing properties of the surface

Action: Lift and relay mats or test impact absorbing properties to ensure the correct surface qualities are maintained for the equipment



6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: A number of fixing(s) have worked loose

Action: Secure all loose fixings



5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior) **Risk Level:** V - Very Low Risk
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds **Surface:** Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: There is a toggle entrapment at the top of the slide **Action:** Monitor Use



8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior) **Risk Level:** L - Low Risk
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds **Surface:** Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The unit is easily accessible and should have the appropriate barriers installed as the height of the unit exceeds 600mm **Action:** Monitor use



6 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: There is some strimmer damage apparent on the posts, this can penetrate the preservative applied to the timber and accelerate the rotting process

Action: Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required



6 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: A number of fixing(s) have worked loose

Action: Secure all loose fixings



6 - Low Risk (Finding 6)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The timber has a number of air cracks apparent, the splits will have penetrated the preservative applied to the timber and allow water ingress to the unprotected areas

Action: Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required



6 - Low Risk (Finding 7)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: There is some evidence of rot in the timber

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required



6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Activity Equipment - Log Climber
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: There is some evidence of rot in the timber

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required



6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Activity Equipment - Log Climber
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: There is some strimmer damage apparent on the posts, this can penetrate the preservative applied to the timber and accelerate the rotting process

Action: Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required



8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Activity Equipment - Log Climber
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The balance beam forms a hard object within the falling space of the equipment in contravention of the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1

Action: Monitor use



5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Activity Equipment - Log Climber
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176:2008 Part 1 4.2.7.2 for head and neck entrapment between the timbers

Action: Monitor use



6 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item: Activity Equipment - Log Climber
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: A number of fixing(s) have worked loose

Action: Secure all loose fixings



8 - Low Risk (Finding 6)

Item: Activity Equipment - Log Climber
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: There is some evidence of rot in the timber crossbar

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required



5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 7)

Item: Activity Equipment - Log Climber
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The connecting links are in excess of 8.6mm and less than 12mm and fail the requirements of BS EN 1176:2008 Part 1; clause 4.2.13, Chains

Action: Monitor use and replace with compliant links at the next maintenance cycle



6 - Low Risk (Finding 8)

Item: Activity Equipment - Log Climber
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The timber has a number of air cracks apparent, the splits will have penetrated the preservative applied to the timber and allow water ingress to the unprotected areas

Action: Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required



6 - Low Risk (Finding 9)

Item: Activity Equipment - Log Climber
Manufacturer: Adventure Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged on the item

Action: Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers



5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)
Manufacturer: Sport England

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Tarmac



Finding: A clearly visible sign should be provided in a prominent position with the wording as detailed BS EN 15312 - the equipment is not intended for children less than 3 years old - the warning Do not climb on the framework or nets - the warning Do not hang on the ring (if provided) - the warning Do not wear rings or other jewellery - name and telephone number of the administrator - number to call in case of accident

Action: Provide signage to BS EN 15312



2 - Very Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk

Manufacturer: Sport England

Surface: Tarmac



Finding: There is some graffiti present

Action: Remove the graffiti



6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)

Risk Level: L - Low Risk

Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Surface: Grass



Finding: There is some evidence of rot in the timber

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required



5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior) **Risk Level:** V - Very Low Risk
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator **Surface:** Grass



Finding: The foundations are exposed

Action: Reinstatement surface levels as required



4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior) **Risk Level:** V - Very Low Risk
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator **Surface:** Grass



Finding: The slide start section incline is not in the direction of travel; it should slope towards the direction of the sliding surface

Action: Monitor use



5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior) **Risk Level:** V - Very Low Risk
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator **Surface:** Grass



Finding: There is a toggle entrapment at the top of the slide **Action:** Monitor Use



4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior) **Risk Level:** V - Very Low Risk
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator **Surface:** Grass



Finding: The surface around the item is worn **Action:** Reinstate surface levels as required