Engineered Wood Fiber

**Basics at a glance:**

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**Description**

Engineered wood fiber is a popular choice for budget conscious playgrounds. Engineered wood fiber will require on-going maintenance and occasional topping off during its lifetime. This maintenance will help to maintain the recommended compacted material depth, thus keeping the surface compliant with applicable standards and warranty.

Once the newly installed product has settled, it forms a "knitted" compacted layer that will support a variety of mobility devices including wheelchairs, gait trainers, crutches, and walkers. Providing adequate drainage is an important preventative measure, because wet engineered wood fiber may freeze in sudden climate changes.

Wood fiber is non-toxic, and does not contain paint, chemicals, or additives. It contains minimal bark, and is free of twigs, leaf debris, and other organic material.

**Benefits**

- Carefully following the installation details allows engineered wood fiber to possibly be installed by volunteer labor
- Engineered wood fiber gives your playground an attractive, natural look
- Economical initial cost
- Loose fill materials aid in the protection of children who experience lateral falls

**Tips**

- Use wear mats to reduce displacement in "kick out" areas, raking is required to maintain compliant depths
- As with all loose fill surfaces, containment systems like our PlayCurbs will reduce the spread of surfacing to non-play areas
- As an organic product, wood fiber may not be the best choice in all climates

**Basic Specification**

Product is manufactured of size-controlled softwoods and or hardwoods which average 1”-2” in length and contain a maximum of 15% fines to aid in compaction.

This product meets all applicable ASTM standards. For more information, please refer to our complete product specification.

Wood varieties may vary nationwide.