

Swing Modification Program



The IPARKS Board has once again approved the Swing Modification Program to assist Members in upgrading their swing sets. To reduce/eliminate swing accidents and injuries, in 2023, Members can apply for up to \$350 per year in reimbursement for approved replacement parts.

Please keep in mind these general swing recommendations published by the National Program for Playground Safety:

- Hardware used to secure the suspending elements to the swing set and to the supporting structure should not be removable without the use of tools.
- Open S-Hooks can catch a child's clothing and present a strangulation hazard. An S-hook is considered closed if there is no gap or space greater than .04 inches (about the thickness of a dime).
- Fiber ropes are not recommended as a means of suspending swings since they may degrade over time.
- Swing structures should be located away from other equipment or activities to help prevent young children from inadvertently running into the path of moving swings.

Swing Modification Program Application

Please complete this simple form to apply for Replacement Equipment:

Date of Application _____

IPARKS Member _____

Contact Person _____

Title _____

Street Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

E-mail _____

Phone Number _____

Please list the replacement equipment and location of the equipment:

Type of Equipment	Location of Equipment
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Total Amount of Reimbursement _____



In order to be eligible, the park district, forest preserve, conservation district, river conservancy district, or special recreation agency must be an IPARKS Member both at the time of submission and issuance of Swing Funds.

Submit your application and a copy of a paid invoice to a playground equipment manufacturer for approved items. You will be reimbursed for up to \$350 per year.

Submit to:
Jason Johnston
IPARKS Senior Risk Control Specialist

jjohnston@iparks.org
Phone: (815) 275-7886

Swing Replacement Parts Approved for Reimbursement by IPARKS



Anti-wrap swing hanger



Chain - Coated



Chain - UnCoated



Clevis Attachment



Clevis Pendulum



Closed S-Hook



"H" Shackle with Bolt



Swing Clevis



Swing Hanger



Swing Seat Shackle