

# KIDBUDDIE

Jungle Gym and Playground Specialists  
Since 1993

## **MAINTENANCE AND SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS**

Thank you for buying a Kidbuddie product and we hope you are satisfied. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us.

### **OUR PROMISE TO YOU**

Kidbuddie products have been tried and tested over many years and have an excellent safety and durability record. At all times, utmost care is taken in the design, manufacture and installation of our playground equipment, to ensure, as far as possible, the safety of children playing on it. We care about our customers and products however by the very nature of the intended use we cannot hold ourselves liable for any accidents or injuries that may occur while using our equipment. In the event of any failure or defect becoming apparent we kindly request that you advise us immediately so that the appropriate action can be taken. We offer a one year exchange warranty on all products however excludes neglect and effective misuse or abuse.

### **YOUR PROMISE TO US**

Playground equipment must be thoroughly checked once a month, especially in busy playgrounds. Check that all moving parts are secure, such as rope, chain and swing hangers, keep all eyebolts and shackles well-greased, especially on swing boats, ensure there is no protruding sharp points or exposed wire from tyres. Maintenance coats should be applied annually or as necessary, depending on site conditions, to all timber surfaces. Should you feel unsure of any aspect relating to the correct maintenance of your Kidbuddie Jungle Gym we are always available to offer support and advice. Children under six years of age should have an adult in attendance when playing on the jungle gyms.

### **CARE OF TIMBER**

All timber is treated to stringent SABS specifications, which ensures a stable and long-lasting product. Being a natural product which reacts to weather conditions, a certain amount of “checking” (thin cracks along the length of the pole) is normal and does not affect the strength and durability at all.

Although it is not essential, we strongly recommend that all timber is either oiled or painted, as this will control the “checking”, enhance the appearance and seal the surface, which also minimized splintering.

For a natural and inexpensive finish, Waxoil or Totim can be used and this is available from Kidbuddie. For a fancier look, exterior varnish can be used or if bright colours are preferred, Enamel or wax-based paint should be used. Acrylic paint is not recommended. Poles should be completely dry, not less than four weeks from delivery/installation, before applying any coating. If poles are going to be varnished or painted, the surface should be wiped clean with Mineral Turpentine and allowed to dry. The first coat should be diluted to allow maximum penetration.

### **MAINTENANCE OF OTHER COMPONENTS**

D-SHACKLES:- well greased  
Horizontal connections – check that all screws are secured  
Pony Rockers – grease

## **SAFETY PRECAUTIONS**

All equipment should be checked regularly. Check that all parts are secure, such as ropes, chain and swing hangers. Keep all eyebolts and shackles well-greased, especially on Swingboat.

**Any queries, complaints or comments can be addressed directly to KIDBUDDIE Head Office**