

REGULAR & PORTABLE CLASSROOMS CHECKLIST



STANDARD CLASSROOMS

GENERAL	YES	NO
Do windows open easily and stay open according to their design?		
Is air quality, temperature and ventilation acceptable to meet applicable standards? Concerns may be determined by conversation with the teacher in the classroom.		
Are ventilation and heating ducts kept unobstructed by books, paper etc.?		
Are ceiling tiles in place, unbroken and with no sign of mould formation?		
Are the ceiling, walls and floor free from water leaks?		
Are floor tiles or carpeting securely fastened to reduce trip hazards?		
Are floors free from slips, trips and fall hazards?		
Are audio-visual screens and maps securely suspended using fittings designed for that purpose?		
Are shelves or shelving units firmly anchored to the wall? Storage of all items should follow the following guide: heavy objects on low shelves, light objects on high shelves and breakable objects such as glass items on low shelves.		
Are step stools or small ladders available for accessing stored items from high shelves?		
Is storage on top of wall-mounted cupboards limited to lightweight objects such as empty boxes?		
Do paper cutters have guards in place and is the torsion spring adjusted to hold blade up when released?		
Are there First Aid stations and trained First Aiders available? Does all staff know where the stations are located and are the trained staff locations identified?		





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Is there an asbestos management program, and does all staff know where the asbestos log is kept in the school.		
FIRE SAFETY	YES	NO
Are legible fire exit and route signs in appropriate locations?		
Is there a Fire Safety Plan and is the teacher aware of the content and location of the Plan?		
Are ceilings or exit doors free of combustible material such as artwork, posters, paper etc.?		
As a guideline, no more than 20% of the total wall surface (include boards, cupboards, windows, etc.) to be covered with combustible materials.		
Where there is an exit door is there a clear path through the classroom furniture? As a rule of thumb, the width of the clear path should be the same as the width of the door(s).		
ELECTRICAL	YES	NO
Are CSA or Electrical Safety Authority approval labels on all electrical equipment?		
Are there ground pins on three wire electrical plugs?		
Are electrical outlets, cover plates and wall switches secure and undamaged?		
Are extension cords three wire, in good condition and used for temporary purposes only?		
Are multi-use cords equipped with power bars?		
PORTABLE CLASSROOMS All items on checklist for Standard Classrooms apply with the following additions:	YES	NO
Are the exterior siding, soffits and eaves including eaves troughs where applicable, in good condition?		
Is the area around and under the portable well-drained with no standing water?		
Are steps and porch surfaces in good repair with suitable anti-slip materials on the surfaces?		
Are the guardrails and hand railings installed and secure?		
Is snow and ice removed at both doorways and the approaches to the doorways?		
Is the electrical service mast in good repair and meter socket enclosed?		
Is exterior lighting operating and adequate?		
Are wall panels intact with no exposed fiberglass insulation?		
Are there signs of mould growth on wall panels or ceiling, particularly near windows or areas of past water leakage?		





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Is the exhaust fan functioning including shutters? Where electric heaters are installed, they must be kept free of combustible objects (e.g. clothing, paper, etc.).	
In portables built after 1990, are heating and ventilation units functioning and grilles kept clear of books and papers?	
Is an intercom or other method of communication with the main building in operating	