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NEW MOVABLE SOCCER GOALS REQUIREMENTS & GUIDELINES...

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011: The Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (DSPA) will be enforcing [Chapter Comm 9](#). The new rule establishes minimum standards for the securing of movable soccer goals to lessen the likelihood of the goals tipping or overturning. The rule applies to both existing and new movable soccer goals.

Comm 9 applies to movable soccer goals whose inside measurements are 6.5-8 feet high and 18-24 feet wide. The rule does not apply to tip-resistant goals that are labeled indicating conformance to ASTM F2673 (Standard Safety Specification for Special Tip-Resistant Movable Soccer Goals). Comm 9 also applies to all movable soccer goals existing before, on and after July 1, 2011 and all movable soccer goals located or to be located on public land.

Requirements

Much of the rule reflects the guidelines that have been established by the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC). "Guidelines for Movable Soccer Goal Safety" (January 1995) can be viewed on the internet at the CPSC website at <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/pubs/soccer.pdf>.

These guidelines include:

- Background into Soccer Goal Injuries and Deaths
- Anchoring/Securing/Counterweighting Guidelines
- Safety Tips
- Warning Label Requirements and Information
- Guidelines for Goal Storage or Securing When Goal is Not in Use

Training - Movable soccer goals should only be moved and anchored by authorized and trained personnel. The authorization and training for moving and anchoring soccer goals should be provided by the owners of the goals.



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The guidelines from the CPSC include illustrations of different acceptable anchoring and storage methods. It is highly recommended to view this document to ensure that your soccer goal procedures are in compliance with these new regulations. Warning Labels can also be found at www.keepergoals.com. For more information, contact your EMC representative.

