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Commercial Shopping Cart Fleet Inspection Compliance Checklist

Operational Scope: Establishes a rigorous protocol for inspecting commercial shopping cart fleets to prevent patron injury, ergonomic strain, and structural failure. Ensures full compliance with retail safety mandates and internal risk mitigation policies.

MANDATORY PPE:	High-Visibility Safety Vest (ANSI/ISEA 107 Class 2), Steel-Toe Safety Footwear (ASTM F2413), Heavy-Duty Cut-Resistant Gloves (ANSI Cut Level A4), Impact-Resistant Safety Glasses (ANSI Z87.1)
PREREQUISITES:	Verify the designated cart staging area is free of high pedestrian traffic and vehicular hazards. | Ensure inspection tools (flashlights, torque gauges, tag supplies) are calibrated and ready.

STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY AND FRAME ASSESSMENT

#	COMPONENT / ITEM	VERIFICATION CRITERIA & ACCEPTANCE STANDARD	SEVERITY	STATUS
1	**Welded Wire Frame & Basket**	No broken, cracked, or protruding wire welds. Zero sharp burrs or exposed jagged edges capable of snagging clothing or skin.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A
2	**Child Safety Seat & Flap**	Child seat restraint strap is fully intact, unfrayed, and buckles securely. Seat panel moves smoothly without jamming or collapsing under light vertical pressure.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A
3	**Handlebar Assembly & End Caps**	Handlebar is securely anchored to the frame with no lateral play. Protective plastic end caps are present on both sides to prevent impalement or scratching hazards.	**Warning**	[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A

MOBILITY, CASTERS, AND BRAKING SYSTEMS

#	COMPONENT / ITEM	VERIFICATION CRITERIA & ACCEPTANCE STANDARD	SEVERITY	STATUS
4	**Front Swivel Casters**	Casters rotate 360 degrees smoothly without binding, excessive wobble, or collection of fibrous debris (hair, string) wrapped around the axle bearings.	**Warning**	[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A
5	**Rear Wheels & Axles**	Wheels are securely fastened to axles with no excessive lateral play or flat spots on the tread. Cart tracks straight when pushed across a flat surface without veering.	**Warning**	[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A
6	**Wheel Locking / Retarder System**	For electronic or magnetic perimeter-lock carts, verify sensor functionality and locking mechanism engagement upon crossing simulated boundary lines.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A

SANITATION, LABELING, AND FLEET MANAGEMENT

#	COMPONENT / ITEM	VERIFICATION CRITERIA & ACCEPTANCE STANDARD	SEVERITY	STATUS
7	**Surface Cleanliness & Bio-Hazards**	Basket interior and handlebar are free from sticky residue, bodily fluids, mold, or bio-hazardous contamination. Surface passes visual hygiene sweep.	**Standard**	[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A
8	**Regulatory Warning & Branding Decals**	Mandatory safety warnings regarding children in seats and store branding labels are legible, non-peeling, and firmly adhered to the basket structure.	**Standard**	[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A

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