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Commercial Shopping Cart Fleet Inspection Inspection Checklist

Operational Scope: This inspection checklist mandates the systematic evaluation of retail shopping cart fleets to mitigate structural hazards, wheel failure risks, and customer injury liabilities. Compliance with this operational standard ensures adherence to general duty safety regulations across all store zones.

MANDATORY PPE:	High-Visibility Vest (ANSI/ISEA 107), Steel-Toe Safety Boots (ASTM F2413), Cut-Resistant Gloves (ANSI/ISEA 105), Safety Glasses (ANSI Z87.1)
PREREQUISITES:	Verify cart collection corral staging area is clear of active pedestrian and vehicle traffic. | Ensure sanitation wipes and pneumatic maintenance tools are staged and calibrated. | Review previous weekly fleet defect log to prioritize quarantined carts.

STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY & FRAME INSPECTION

#	COMPONENT / ITEM	VERIFICATION CRITERIA & ACCEPTANCE STANDARD	SEVERITY	STATUS
1	**Welded Wire Mesh & Frame**	Inspect frame for broken, fractured, or protruding wire welds. No sharp points, jagged edges, or exposed metal wires permitted.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A
2	**Child Safety Seat & Flap**	Check plastic fold-down seat, leg holes, and rear security gate. Must pivot smoothly without cracking, and warning labels must be fully legible.	**Critical (Immediate Out of Service)**	[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A
3	**Push Handle & Handlebar Grips**	Ensure rubber or plastic handle grips are secure, non-spinning, and free of splits that could pinch hands or harbor contaminants.	**Warning**	[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A
4	**Corner Bumpers & Plastic Trims**	Verify presence and secure attachment of all front-corner protective bumpers to prevent impact damage to store fixtures and patrons.	**Standard**	[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A

WHEEL ASSEMBLY & MOBILITY PERFORMANCE

#	COMPONENT / ITEM	VERIFICATION CRITERIA & ACCEPTANCE STANDARD	SEVERITY	STATUS
5	**Caster Swivel & Bearings**	Test front swivel casters for 360-degree rotation without binding, locking up, or excessive bearing play.	**Warning**	[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A
6	**Wheel Tread & Debris Buildup**	Inspect wheels for flat spots, embedded debris, twine, or hair wrapped around axles that impedes smooth rolling.	**Warning**	[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A
7	**Tracking & Cart Pull**	Push cart on a flat, level surface; cart must track straight within a 3-foot deviation over a 20-foot test run.	**Standard**	[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A

SANITATION & REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

#	COMPONENT / ITEM	VERIFICATION CRITERIA & ACCEPTANCE STANDARD	SEVERITY	STATUS
8	**Surface Cleanliness & Biohazards**	Check basket and handle areas for sticky residues, bodily fluids, mold, or excessive grime; route heavily soiled carts to wash station.	**Warning**	[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A
9	**Fleet Identification & Branding**	Confirm store logo, asset tracking numbers, and liability warning placards are clearly visible and permanently affixed.	**Standard**	[ ] PASS [ ] FAIL [ ] N/A

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