



Amusement Ride and Attraction Safety





9.10.26 Board Meeting

New Board Members



- Kevin Shaw
 - Six Flags Great America
- Jeffrey Lorton
 - Aeries Resort

Old Business



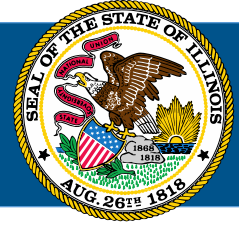
- New application website in 2026
 - Over 650 applications for over 3,500 rides
 - Insurance, NDT, and third party inspections can all now be uploaded
 - Photos included in inspection reports

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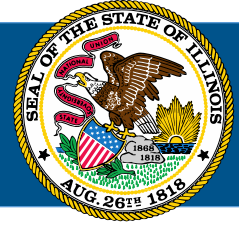
- Accident Reporting
 - Reportable injuries which are not reported are liable for up to \$1,000 in fines and other penalties
 - Increased enforcement of unreported injuries

Staffing



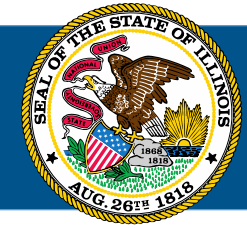
- 7 Amusement Ride Inspectors
 - 1 Office Associate
 - 1 Chief
 - 1 Division Manager
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- Annual training opportunities for all staff and biennial intensive training for all field inspectors

Welcome New Inspector



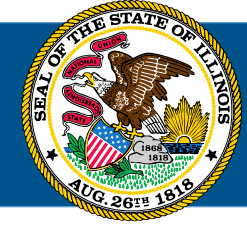
- Chris Tumeo joined ARAS from the Rockford Fire District July 16, 2026
- David Compton has completed his training

Inspection Statistics



	Show Dates	Follow Up Inspections	Inspections Issued	Total Locations	Total Companies
2026	1,958	1,107	2,956	1,236	419
2025	1,127	1,129	4,575	791	482
2024	1,051	1,043	4,190	726	445
2023	912	898	3,283	508	307
2022	930	568	2,608	405	249
2021	764	932	2,463	382	236
2020	555	116	884	167	148
2019	1,472	581	3,413	572	350

Accident Report Comparison



Year	Number
2026	18
2025	31
2024	40
2023	27
2022	28

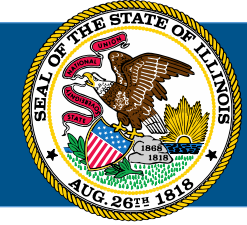
Year	Number
2021	10
2020	3
2019	12
2018	10
2017	6

2025 Accident Summary



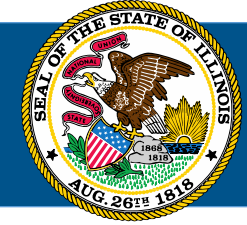
Cause	Number
Patron	18
Operator	0
Mechanical	0

Accident Report



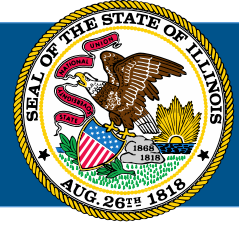
# Injured	Date	Ride	Cause	Ride Type	Description	Injury	Age	Location
1	1/9/2026	Main Court	Patron	Trampoline	Landing	Hurt Knee	4	Joliet
1	1/17/2026	Apex	Patron	Trampoline	Landing	Injured Knee	30	Mokena
1	2/18/2026	Air Court	Patron	Trampoline	Landing	Injured Angle	12	Westmont
1	2/22/2026	Main Court	Patron	Trampoline	Landing	Hurt Leg	36	Effingham
2	3/14/2026	Air Court	Patron	Trampoline	Fighting	Collarbone	14	Westmont
1	3/22/2026	Go Kart	Patron	Amusement Attraction	Collision	Chest Pain	39	Schaumburg
1	4/25/2026	Adventure Slide	Patron	Amusement Attraction	Landing	Twisted Knee	9	Chicago
1	5/22/2026	Aerial Adventure Park	Patron	Major Ride	Knocked down by a steel line	Head Injury	13	Lemont
1	5/23/2026	Main Court	Patron	Trampoline	Collision	Head Injury	33	Chicago

Accident Report



# Injured	Date	Ride	Cause	Ride Type	Description	Injury	Age	Location
1	6/4/2026	Main Court	Patron	Trampoline	Landing	Swollen Ankle	16	Effingham
1	6/4/2026	Paratrooper	Patron	Major Ride	Loose pin struck guest's forehead	Scratched Forehead	na	Pike County
1	7/11/2026	Main Court	Patron	Trampoline	Landing	Possible Broken Wrist	11	Elmhurst
1	7/19/2026	Main Court	Patron	Trampoline	Landing	Injured Knee	18	Elmhurst
1	7/31/2026	Tea Cup Ride	Patron	Kiddie Ride	Toddler climbed out of the ride	Brusied Cheek & Ear	2.5	Lockport
1	8/6/2026	Aerial Adventure Park	Patron	Amusement Attraction	Guest lost balance and fell	Shoulder Injury	na	Lemont
1	8/15/2026	Giant Slide	Patron	Major Ride	Airborne on slide bump	Injured Right Ankle	11	Springfield
1	8/16/2026	Treetop Adventure Couse	Patron	Amusement Attraction	Pre-existing Shoulder Injury	Dislocated Right Shoulder	na	Western Springs

ARAS Application Portal



- Next update: Integrated accident reporting
- Coming 2027: Improved navigation, manual & bulletin integration
- Report bugs, ideas, or change requests to DOL.Rides@Illinois.gov or (217) 557-3112

Next Meeting



- Tentative schedule for next board meeting is 1/15/27 from 10:00-Noon at Crowne Plaza in Springfield
- Please direct questions and comments to DOL.Rides@Illinois.gov or (217) 557-3112