

# **10 FOOT VAC SLIDE KIT**

Model # 50226

Owner's Manual & Assembly Instructions

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average 2 person assembly time



assembly time may vary based on skill level

For the most up to date assembly manual, to register your set, or to order replacement parts please visit **www.backyarddiscovery.com** 

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The store where you made your purchase does not stock parts for this item.

If you have assembly questions or you are missing or have damaged parts, please call

1-800-856-4445

you can also visit www.backyarddiscovery.com or e-mail customerservice@backyarddiscovery.com

## Please have the following information ready when you make your call:

- Model Number of the product located on the front of the assembly manual
- The item description and number from the parts list from the manual that was included in your box
- Read entire assembly manual, paying special attention to the important tips and safety information.
- To ensure there are no missing pieces do a complete inventory by first separating and identifying all parts.
- Make sure to check packing material for small parts that may have fallen out during shipment.
- Structures are not intended for public use. The Company does not warranty any of its residential structures subjected to commercial use.
- This manual contains helpful information concerning assembly preparation, installation procedure and required maintenance.
- Always keep safety in mind as your structure is being built.
- Keep these instructions for future reference.



## **Limited Lifetime Warranty**

#### Please read entire booklet completely before beginning the assembly process

Please retain these instructions and your receipt for future reference. Keep them in a safe place where you can refer to them as needed. In order to provide you with the most efficient service, it is required that you provide us with the part numbers when ordering parts.

#### **For Your Records:**

Please take time and fill out the information below. This information will be needed for warranty issues.

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Tracking Number:	Vertical ID Plate	310	

#### **Tracking Number Reference Label**

Tracking ID number on the carton and on the bottom of the vertical ID plate are included for tracking purposes associated with warranty claims.

This Limited Warranty by Backyard Discovery applies to products manufactured under the Backyard Discovery brand or its other brands including but not limited to Backyard Botanical, Adventure Playsets, and Leisure Time Products.

Slides and hardware are covered by a Limited Lifetime Warranty, that is, they are warranted for so long as the original owner owns such parts, accessories and components against rot and decay or defects in workmanship and materials that affect the structural integrity of the parts, accessories and components. In the event of any rot, decay or defect during the period, Backyard Discovery will remedy the defect as described herein, without charge to the purchaser for parts, as soon as practical. The remedy will consist of repair or replacement of the product, or refund of the purchase price, at the discretion of Backyard Discovery after opportunity to inspect the alleged defect or photographs thereof. However, Backyard Discovery will not elect to refund the purchase price unless it is unable to provide a replacement, and repair is not commercially practicable or cannot be made within a reasonable time. All freight and labor charges will be the responsibility of the purchaser.

This warranty applies to the original owner and registrant and is non-transferable. Regular maintenance is required to assure maximum life and performance of this product. Failure by the owner to maintain the product according to the maintenance requirements may void this warranty. Maintenance guidelines are provided in the Owner's Manual.

This Limited Warranty does not cover:

- Labor for any inspection
- Labor for replacement of any defective item(s)
- Incidental or consequential damages
- Cosmetic defects which do not affect performance or integrity of a part or the entire product
- · Vandalism, improper use, failure due to loading or use beyond the capacities stated in the applicable Assembly Manual.
- · Acts of nature including but not limited to wind, storms, hail, floods, excessive water exposure
- Improper installation including but not limited to installation on uneven, unlevel, or soft ground
- · Minor twisting, warping, checking, or any other natural occurring properties of wood that do not affect performance or integrity

Backyard Discovery products have been designed for safety and quality. Any modifications made to the original product could damage the structural integrity of the unit leading to failure and possible injury. Modification voids any and all warranties and Backyard Discovery assumes no liability for any modified products or consequences resulting from failure of a modified product.

This product is warranted for RESIDENTIAL USE ONLY. Any unintended use such as home child care, daycare center, faith center, government facility, home owner's associate, park or school will make the warranty of our product null & void.





#### Your Children's Safety Is Our #1 Concern!

Observe the following statements and warnings to reduce the likelihood of serious or fatal injury. Please review these safety rules regularly with your children.

- Children MUST NOT use this playcenter until unit has been completely assembled and inspected by an adult to ensure set has been properly installed and anchored.
- Equipment is recommended for use by children 3 to 10 years of age.
- This Playcenter is designed for specific number of occupants whose combined weight should not exceed the designated weight on the elevated floor or the swing area. The total unit capacity is outlined in the Basic Setup Dimensions section of instruction manual. The maximum fall height and recommended play area is also available in the Basic Setup Dimensions section of the manual for the specific unit.
- On-site, continuous adult supervision is REQUIRED.
   MOST SERIOUS INJURIES AND DEATHS ON PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT HAVE OCCURRED WHILE CHILDREN WERE UNSUPERVISED!
- DO NOT allow children to walk close to, in front of, behind, or between moving swings or other moving playground equipment.
- **DO NOT** let children stand on swings.
- Children should **NOT** twist the chains and ropes and should not loop them over the top support bar, this could reduce the strength of the chain or rope.
- **DO NOT** let children push empty seats. The seat could hit them and cause serious injury.
- Instruct and teach children to sit in the center of the swings with their full weight on the seats.
- DO NOT allow children to use the equipment in a manner other than intended.
- Instruct children NOT to get off equipment while it is in motion.
- Instruct children to ALWAYS go down slides feet first.
   Never slide head first.



#### WARNING: BURN HAZARD

- Pay special attention to plastic and metal surfaces as they may be hot enough to cause burns.
- Always check the temperature of the product before letting your children play on it.
- Remember that the product may cause burns if left in direct sunlight.
- Always be aware of the sun and weather conditions, and do not assume that the equipment is safe because the air temperature is not very high.
- Instruct children to LOOK before they slide to make sure no one is at the bottom.
- DO NOT allow children to run up a slide, as this increases their chances of falling.
- DRESS CHILDREN APPROPRIATELY. (Examples would include wearing well-fitting shoes and the avoidance of ponchos, scarfs, and other loose-fitting clothing that is potentially hazardous while using equipment).
- **DO NOT** allow children to climb when the equipment is wet.
- Children should **NEVER** jump from a fort deck. They should always use the ladder, ramp or slide.
- Children should **NEVER** be allowed to crawl or walk across the top of monkey bars.
- DO NOT allow children to crawl on top of a fort roof.
- Verify that any suspended climbing ropes, chain, or cable are secured at both ends and that they cannot be looped back on themselves as to create an entanglement hazard.
- DO NOT let children attach items to the playground equipment that arenot specifically designed for use with the equipment. Items such as, but not limited to, jump ropes, clothesline, pet leashes, cables and chain can cause a strangulation hazard.
- Children should **NEVER** wrap their legs around swing chain.
- **DO NOT** allow children to slide down the swing chain.
- Instruct children to remove their bike or other sports helmet before playing on playground equipment.
- NEVER add extra length to chain or rope. The chains or ropes provided are the maximum length designed for the swinging element(s).



### **Positioning Your Playcenter**

- The play center is designed to be installed on a level surface by an adult with an adult helper. Placeinaflat area of your yard to minimize ground preparation.
- Choose a level location for the equipment. This can reduce the likelihood of the play set tipping over and loose fill surfacing material washing away during heavy rains.
- Place the equipment not less than 6 ft 7inches (2m) from any structure or obstruction such as a fence, garage, house, overhanging branches, laundry lines, or electrical wires.
- Provide enough room so that the children can use the equipment safely. For example, for structures with multiple play activities, a slide should not exit in front of a swing.
- It is a good idea to place your playcenter in an area that is convenient for adults to watch children at play.
- Create a site free of obstacles that could cause injuries
  - such as low overhanging tree branches, overhead wires, tree stumps and/or roots, large rocks, bricks and concrete. Additional suggestions in the Suggested Playground Surfacing Section.
- · Do not build your playset on top of surfacing material.
- Locate bare metal platforms and slides out of direct sunlight to reduce the likelihood of serious burns. A slide that faces north will receive the least direct sunlight.
- Separate active and quiet activities from each other.
   For example, locate sandboxes away from swings or use a guardrail or barrier to separate the sandbox from the movement of the swings.

## **Suggested Playground Surfacing**

- Do not install home playground equipment over concrete, asphalt, packed earth, grass, carpet, or any other hard surface. A fall onto a hard surface can result in serious injury to the equipment user.
- Do not install loose fill surfacing over hard surfaces such as concrete or asphalt.
- Shredded bark mulch, wood chips, fine sand and fine gravel, are added as shock absorbing materials after assembly. If used properly these materials can absorb some of the impact of a child's fall.
- All surface material should extend a minimum of 6ft (1.8m) feet in all directions around the play area.
- Do not apply playground surfacing until after the unit is completely constructed. Play set should not be built on top of surfacing.
- Use containment, such as digging out around the perimeter and/or lining the perimeter with landscape edging.
- Installations of rubber tiles or poured-in-place surfaces (other than loose fill materials) generally require a professional and are not "do-it-yourself" projects.
- Shall use Playground Surfacing Materials (other than loose fill material) which comply with the safety standard ASTM F1292 StandardSpecification of Impact Attenuation of Surfacing Materials within the Use Zone of Playground Equipment.

# The following chart explains the fall height in feet from which a life threatening head injury would not be expected Critical Heights in feet (m) of Tested Materials

Material	Uncompressed Depth			Compressed Depth
	6" (152mm)	9" (228mm)	12" (304mm)	to 9" (228mm)
Wood Chips	7' (2.13m)	10-12' (3.0-3.6m)	11' (3.35m)	10' (3.05m)
Double-Shredded Bark Mulch	6' (1.83m)	10-12' (3.0-3.6m)	11' (3.35m)	7' (2.13m)
Engineered Wood Fibers	6' (1.83m)	7' (2.13m)	>12' (3.66m)	6' (1.83m)
Fine Sand	5' (1.52m)	5' (1.52m)	9' (2.74m)	5' (1.52m)
Coarse Sand	5' (1.52m)	5' (1.52m)	6' (1.83m)	4' (1.22m)
Fine Gravel	5' (1.52m)	7' (2.13m)	10' (3.05m)	6' (1.83m)
Medium Gravel	5' (1.52m)	5' (1.52m)	6' (1.83m)	5' (1.52m)
Shredded Tires*	10-12' (3.0-3.6m)	N/A	N/A	N/A

<sup>\*</sup>This data is from tests conducted by independent testing laboratories on a 6-inch depth of uncompressed shredded tire samples produced by four manufacturers. The tests reported critical heights, which varied from 10 feet to greater than 12 feet. It is recommended that persons seeking to install shredded tires as a protective surface request test data from the supplier showing the critical height of the material when it was tested in accordance with ASTM F1292.



## **APPENDIX A**

The following information is from the United States ConsumerProductSafetyCommission'sInformation Sheet for playground surfacing material; also see the following website for additional information: <a href="https://www.cpsc.gov">www.cpsc.gov</a>

X3. SECTION 4 OF THE CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION'S OUTDOOR HOME PLAYGROUND SAFETY HANDBOOK<sup>9</sup>

X3.1 Select Protective Surfacing—One of the most important things you can do to reduce the likelihood of serious head injuries is to install shock-absorbing protective surfacing under and around your play equipment. The protective surfacing should be applied to a depth that is suitable for the equipment height in accordance with ASTM Specification F 1292. There are different types of surfacing to choose from; whichever product you select, follow these guidelines:

X3.1.1 Loose-Fill Materials:

X3.1.1.1 Maintain a minimum depth of 9 inches of loose-fill materials such as wood mulch/chips, engineered wood fiber (EWF), or shredded/recycled rubber mulch for equipment up to 8 feet high; and 9 inches of sand or pea gravel for equipment up to 5 feet high. NOTE: An initial fill level of 12 inches will compress to about a 9-inch depth of surfacing overtime. The surfacing will also compact, displace, and settle, and should be periodically refilled to maintain at least a 9-inch depth.

X3.1.2 Use a minimum of 6 inches of protective surfacing for play equipment less than 4 feet in height. If maintained properly, this should be adequate. (At depths less than 6 inches, the protective material is too easily displaced or compacted.)

NOTE: Do not install home playground equipment over concrete, asphalt, or any other hard surface. A fall onto a hard surface can result in serious injury to the equipment user. Grass and dirt are not considered protective surfacing because wear and environmental factors can reduce their shock absorbing effectiveness. Carpeting and thin mats are generally not adequate protective surfacing. Ground level equipment such as a sandbox, activity wall, playhouse or other equipment that has no elevated play surface – does not need any protective surfacing.

X3.1.3 Use containment, such as digging out around the perimeter and/or lining the perimeter with landscape edging. Don't forget to account for water drainage.

X3.1.3.1 Check and maintain the depth of the loose-fill surfacing material. To maintain the right amount of loose-fill materials, mark the correct level on play equipment support posts. That way you can easily see when to replenish and/or redistribute the surfacing.

X3.1.3.2 Do not install loose-fill surfacing over hard surfaces such as concrete or asphalt.

X3.1.4 Poured-In-Place Surfaces or Pre-Manufactured Rubber Tiles — You may be interested in using surfacing other than loose-fill materials – like rubber tiles or poured-in-place surfaces.

X3.1.4.1 Installations of these surfaces generally require a professional and are not "do-it-yourself" projects.

X3.1.4.2 Review surface specification before purchasing this type of surfacing. Ask the installer/manufacturer for a report showing that the product has been tested to the following safety standard: ASTM F 1292 Standard Specification for Impact Attenuation of Surfacing Materials within the Use Zone of Playground Equipment. This report should show the specific height for which the surface is intended to protect against serious head injury. This height should be equal to or greater than the fall height – vertical distance between a designated play surface (elevated surface for standing, sitting, or climbing) and the protective surfacing below – of your play equipment

X3.1.4.3 Check the protective surfacing frequently for wear.

X3.1.5 Placement — Proper placement and maintenance of protective surfacing is essential. Be sure to:

X3.1.5.1 Extend surfacing at least 6 feet from the equipment in all directions.

X3.1.5.2 For to-fro swings, extend protective surfacing in front of and behind the swing to a distance equal to twice the height of the top bar from which the swing is suspended.

<sup>9</sup>This information has been extracted from the CPSC publications "Playground Surfacing — Technical Information Guide" and "Handbook for Public Playground Safety." Copies of these reports can be obtained by sending a postcard to the: Office of Public Affairs, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, D.C., 20207 or call the toll-free hotline: 1-800-638-2772.

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# IT IS IMPORTANT TO CHECK AND TIGHTEN ALL HARDWARE AT THE BEGINNING AND DURING THE SEASON AS THEY MAY LOOSEN DUE TO WOOD EXPANSION AND CONTRACTION.

### At the beginning of each play season

- Tighten all hardware.
- Lubricate all metallic moving parts per manufacturer's instructions.
- Check all protective coverings on bolts, pipes, edges, and corners. Replace if they are loose, cracked, or missing.
- Check all moving parts including swing seats, ropes, cables, and chains for wear, rust, or other deterioration. Replace as needed.
- Check metal parts for rust. If found, sand and repaint using a non lead-based paint meeting the requirements of 16 CFR 1303.
- Check all wood members for deterioration and splinters. Sand down splinters and replace deteriorating wood members.
- Reinstall any plastic parts, such as swing seats or any other items that were removed for the cold season.
- Rake and check depth of loose fill protective surfacing materials to prevent compaction and to maintain appropriate depth. Replace as necessary.

## Twice a month during play season

- Tighten all hardware.
- Check all protective coverings on bolts, pipes, edges, & corners. Replace if they are loose, cracked, or missing.
- Rake and check depth of loose fill protective surfacing materials to prevent compaction and to maintain appropriate depth. Replace as necessary.

## Once a month during play season.

- Lubricate all metallic moving parts per manufacturer's instructions.
- Check all moving parts including swing seats, ropes, cables, and chains for wear, rust, or other deterioration. Replace as needed.

# At the end of each season or when the temperature drops below 32° F

- Remove plastic swing seats and other items as specified by the manufacturer and take indoors or do not use.
- Rake and check depth of loose fill protective surfacing materials to prevent compaction and to maintain appropriate depth. Replace as necessary.

#### **Additional Maintenance**

- Check the swing beam and hardware every two weeks due to wood expansion and contraction.
   It is particularly important that this procedure be followed at the beginning of each season.
- Inspect wood parts monthly. The grain of the wood sometimes will lift in the dry season causing splinters to appear. Light sand may be necessary to maintain a safe playing environment. Treat your playset with stain regularly, to help prevent severe checking/ splitting and other weather damage.
- A waterborne transparent stain has been applied to your playset. This is done for color only. Once or twice a year, depending on your climate conditions, you must apply some type of protection (sealant) to the wood of your unit. Prior to the application of sealant, lightly sand any "rough" spots on your playset. Please note this is a requirement of your warranty.
- Assembling and maintaining the playset on a level location is very important. As your children play, your playset will slowly dig its way into the soil, and it is very important that it settles evenly. Make sure the playset is level and true one each year or at the beginning of each play season.

## **Disposal Instructions**

When the Playcenter use is no longer desired, it should be disassembled and disposed of in such a way that no unreasonable hazards will exist at the time the unit is discarded.

## **Third Party Assembly**

Customer may, in their sole discretion, elect to use a third party person or service to assemble this product. Backyard Discovery assumes no responsibility or liability for any charge incurred by the Customer for any assembly services. Please see our warranty for more information about damaged and missing part replacement coverage. Backyard Discovery will not reimburse Customer for the price of parts purchased.



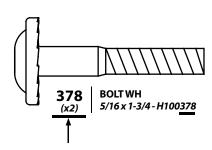


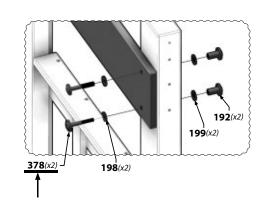
## **ASSEMBLY TIP:**

Keep and eye out for these boxes which will contain helpful pictures and information making the assembly process as quick and painless as possible.

Hardware bags are printed with a seven digit alpha-numeric part number. During assembly you only need to reference the last three digits of the part number as noted in each step. This will make finding the correct hardware easier.

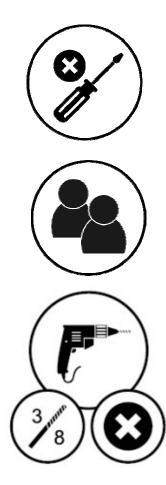
## **Hardware Identification**





## **Tools Required for Installation**







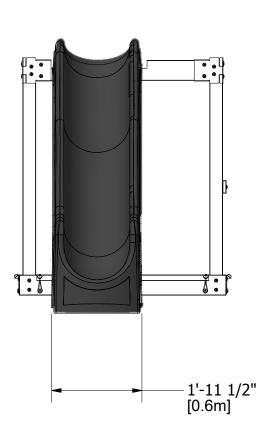
# Owner's Manual Basic Setup Dimensions & Assembly Notes

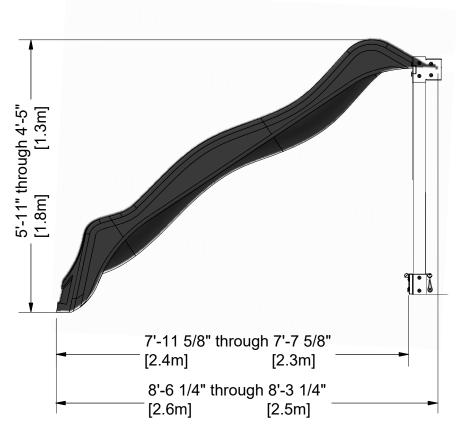
Place the set on level ground, not less than 6 ft 7 in [2 m] from any structure or obstruction such as a fence, garage, house, overhanging branches, laundry lines, or electrical wires.

- While assembling unit, take time before and after each phase to make sure fort is level. If fort is not level, assembly will be difficult and improper assembly may result. Extra care must be taken to insure the fort is square.
- The safe play area refers to a zone extending 6 ft 7in (2m) beyond the play product on all sides, including the space above the play product.

#### NOTES:

This slide is designed to ONLY fit a deck height of 4 feet 5 inches [1.3m] through 5' feet 11 inches [1.8m] with a minimum opening size of 22 5/8" [0.57m], a maximum size of 24 5/8" [0.62m].







# **Parts Identification**

## **Wood Components (Not to Scale)**

## **NOT INCLUDED**

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**Q70** | SLIDE MOUNTING BOARD- W102822 (x1) | 5/8"x1 3/8"x20 3/8" (16x34x517)

## **Hardware Components**

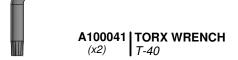




H100004 | NUT BARREL WH YZ (x3) | 5/16x5/8



H100031 | WASHER LOCK EXT YZ (x3) | 12x19





**A100042** | **TORX BIT** (x2) | T-40



H100088 SCREW PFH YZ
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8x1 1/8

## **Accessory Components**







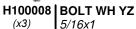
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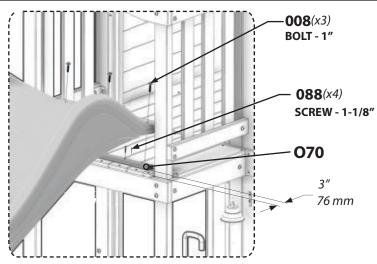
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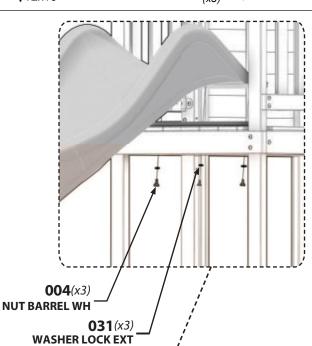
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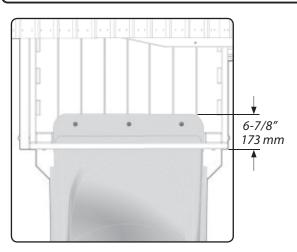
**SLIDE MOUNTING BOARD LOCATION** 





## **ASSEMBLY NOTE:**

CENTER O70 BOARD IN SLIDE OPENING AND 3" (76mm) BACK FROM THE EDGE. THEN USE HOLES IN SLIDE AS GUIDE FOR A 3/8" DRILL BIT FOR BOLT AND BARREL NUT.



**SLIDE LOCATION** 

