Few things exercise a child's imagination like a sandbox, and this project is as easy to build as it is fun to play in. Fill it with QUIKRETE® Play Sand; it's washed, screened, and rid of all organic matter before being packaged for sale. And don't forget, it's a good idea to have some means of covering the sandbox to keep out rain, leaves, animals, etc.

**Required Tools & Materials**

- QUIKRETE® Play Sand
- QUIKRETE® All-Purpose Sand
- 1" x 4" edge boards
- 1" x 3" trim boards
- 2" x 2" wood and cleats
- 5/8" exterior-grade plywood
- Tamper
- Bricks

**Step by Step**

1. Stake out and excavate the play area according to the dimensions shown in the illustration. Border the area with 1" x 4" edging.

2. If desired, lay a 1" to 2" gravel base to improve drainage; this is especially important in damp locales.

3. Use 5/8" exterior-grade plywood and 2" x 2" wood and cleats to construct the sandbox frame according to the dimensions shown in the illustration. Border the frame with 1" x 3" trim.

4. Fill the sandbox with QUIKRETE® Play Sand.

5. Spread a 1" to 2" layer of QUIKRETE® All-Purpose Sand over the ground surrounding the sandbox. Tamp the surface smooth, then lay the bricks in rowlock fashion over the entire area.

6. Sweep QUIKRETE® All-Purpose Sand into the cracks between the
bricks. After removing any excess sand from the surface, wet it down with a very fine spray; be careful not to allow any pools of water to form.