



## MEETING LOG

**SUBJECT: ASTM F15.59 Children's Chairs Bench/Scope Task Group Meeting Log**

**OP PLAN ENTRY:** Children's Folding Chairs and Stools

**DATE OF MEETING:** 1/14/2026

**LOCATION OF MEETING:** Virtual

**CPSC STAFF FILING MEETING LOG:** Brad Gordon (ESMC)

**FILING DATE:** 1/29/2026

**CPSC ATTENDEE(S):** Brad Gordon (ESMC), Daniel Taxier (ESMC)

**NON-CPSC ATTENDEE(S):** Contact ASTM for the full attendee list.

### Summary of Meeting:

The ASTM F15.59 Children's Chairs Bench/Scope Task Group (TG) met to discuss the following items related to children's chairs and stools:

- **Age range.** The TG discussed which age ranges should be applicable to the ASTM F2613 standard.<sup>1</sup> One member pointed out that the current age range for the standard is 0 to 14 years. Other members conveyed that the federal rules for folding chairs and folding stools addresses products for children under the age of 5. The TG agreed to the current age range of 0 to 14 years.
- **Scope.** The TG reviewed several products (e.g., folding chairs, gaming chairs, upholstered furniture, and recliners) and discussed which products should fall within the scope of children's chairs. The group agreed that products under about 15 inches in height that are marketed/advertised for children would be treated as in-scope for the ASTM F2613 standard. The group also agreed to add language to the F2613 standard which clarifies that reclining or adjustable actions are not considered to be folding actions.
- **Multimodal products.** The TG discussed whether multimodal products (such as a bouncer seat that can be used as a chair) should be tested to multiple standards. Participants discussed other juvenile product standards that include a requirement to test multimodal products to relevant product standards. One member pointed out that this requirement was now in the ad hoc language guidance for juvenile products. The TG agreed to add the requirement.

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<sup>1</sup> ASTM F2613-22, STANDARD CONSUMER SAFETY SPECIFICATION FOR CHILDREN'S CHAIRS AND STOOLS (2022).



- *Scissoring, shearing, and pinching requirements.* The TG discussed requirements for preventing scissoring, shearing, and pinching. The group discussed the challenge of applying these types of requirements for products without explicit locking mechanisms but noted that the current standard appeared to account for these mechanisms (such as hook and loop fasteners). The TG agreed.
- *Static load and fatigue requirements.* The TG reviewed the static load and fatigue testing requirements for children's chairs. One member suggested that the criteria for determining the weight used for testing should consider not only seat width, but also height and intended use. CPSC staff discussed the challenge with applying seat height in combination with seat width, given the low height of some of the chairs that were reviewed by the task group. Another participant responded that the risk of falling due to accidental collapse for those products was low. No consensus was reached.

#### **Next Steps:**

The TG plans to meet (TBD) to continue discussing scope and requirements for children's chairs.