



MEETING LOG

SUBJECT: ASTM F15.03 Shower Chairs and Stools Task Group

FY 26 OP PLAN ENTRY: Bath Tubs (Adult)

DATE OF MEETING: 5/12/2026

LOCATION OF MEETING: Virtual

CPSC STAFF FILING MEETING LOG: Brad Gordon (ESMC)

FILING DATE: 6/8/2026

CPSC ATTENDEE(S): Brad Gordon (ESMC)

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

Summary of Meeting:

The ASTM F15.03 Shower Chairs and Stools Task Group (TG) met to discuss the following:

- **Purpose of the TG.** One member explained that the primary aim of the newly established TG is to create a standard specifically for shower chairs and stools. The group discussed which types of products should be included under this standard. The discussion also covered topics such as structural testing, stability, material selection, and performance criteria. The TG decided to revisit these subjects in future meetings.
- **Injury statistics.** One member requested that CPSC staff provide data on injuries related to shower chairs and stools. CPSC staff agreed to supply this information at a future meeting.
- **Product classifications.** The group explored potential classifications for shower chairs. One participant mentioned that, in certain cases, shower chairs could be categorized as medical devices. No consensus was reached.
- **Stability testing and performance standards.** A member recommended the necessity of stability testing, especially due to difficulties encountered when testing shower chairs and stools on various bathtub surfaces. Some members suggested reviewing the ANSI/BIFMA X5 standards for stability, the AS 3973:2024 standard for shower/toilet chairs, and current tip-over testing standards for step stools and standing towers. The group then discussed the importance of identifying performance benchmarks for stability.



- Issues with testing. The TG noted issues with testing on different bathtub surfaces. One member highlighted that consumer usage of shower chairs on bathtub surfaces can vary significantly. No consensus was reached.

Next Steps:

The TG plans to meet June 9, 2026 to continue working on a new standard for shower chairs and stools.