



MEETING LOG

SUBJECT: ASTM F15.29 Public Playgrounds Toddler Standard Task Group Meeting

FY 25 OP PLAN ENTRY: Playground Equipment (Public)

DATE OF MEETING: 12/04/2024

LOCATION OF MEETING: Virtual

CPSC STAFF FILING MEETING LOG: Khalisa Phillips, Ph.D. (ESHF)

FILING DATE: 12/20/2024

CPSC ATTENDEE(S): Khalisa Phillips, Ph.D. (ESHF)

NON-CPSC ATTENDEE(S): Contact ASTM for a list of non-CPSC attendees.

Summary of Meeting:

The ASTM F15.09 Home Playgrounds Subcommittee (SC) met to finalize for reauthorization of ASTM F2373-11(2017), *Standard Consumer Safety Performance Specification for Public Use Play Equipment for Children 6 Months through 23 Months*. Members carefully reviewed proposed changes to the Labels and Signs section of the F2373 standard. The purpose of this review was to ensure use of mandatory language is consistent with task group (TG) member intentions. Unlike other playground standards, F2373 has always used mandatory language for most of the warning requirements. CPSC staff commented that while they understood the interest in harmonizing with F1487-21, *Standard Consumer Safety Performance Specification for Playground Equipment for Public Use*, staff would not want to support weakening the warning requirements. The TG carefully reviewed the draft F2373 language line-by-line with the same sections in F1487-21, *Standard Consumer Safety Performance Specification for Playground Equipment for Public Use*, and F1148-24, *Standard Consumer Safety Performance Specification for Home Playground Equipment*. Staff also raised concern about the potential for losing important warning requirements, such as a warning to always use impact attenuation surfacing and a warning about supervision. After careful review, staff objections were resolved after noting that the requirements are covered, just worded similarly to the F1487 standard. The TG resolved all objections from members.

Next Steps:

The ASTM staff officer for F15 *Consumer Products* will submit the F2373 draft standard to the ASTM editor for reauthorization. In calendar year 2025, once the F2373 standard has been reauthorized, the TG will begin addressing a variety of topics members have raised that need updating in the F2373 standard. (Members did not want to hold up the approval process.)