

**U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission
LOG OF MEETING**

SUBJECT: Meeting of ASTM Infant Bath Seats Task Group

DATE OF MEETING: 16 April 2018

LOG ENTRY SOURCE: Celestine T. Kish, ESHF

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LOCATION: Teleconference

CPSC ATTENDEE(S): Celestine T Kish, ESHF; Ian Hall LMS

NON-CPSC ATTENDEE(S): Paul Ware; Ken Walsh; Piyush Shaw; Lisa Trofe; and Meredith Thomas.

SUMMARY OF MEETING: Celestine Kish started the conference call by explaining the purpose of the call was to address two question about testing requirements in the standard. The first question involves the shoulder probe and what testing labs do regarding calibration of the wooden probe over time/exposure to humidity. One member of the tast group indicated he wasn't sure exactly what the technicians did, but that all of their testing equipment is subjected to yearly calibrations, so he did not think the probe changed much. Another member stated that was the same practice for his company. The TG members decided that the standard should specify material and tolerances, because currently standard does not specify tolerances. CPSC staff will explore what tolerances would be

appropriate and report back to the TG. The TG also indicated that an aluminum probe would probably be better than uncoated wood. This will be presented to the subcommittee.

The second issue related to the 24" test surface specified in 7.4.3. Specifying 24" could limit how bath seats are installed and potentially fail future samples because of how the bath seat needs to be attached. TG decided recommend deleting the 24" requirements and adding instructions to install the bath seat to manufacturer's instructions before testing. The Figures in the standard should be changed to remove the 24" on Test surface #3; add a uniform 4" width for the 24" on the side of the tub fixture; and keep in the reference to the 24" for the definition of the text fixture, but not for testing. TG agreed this should be presented to the subcommittee.