

SUBJECT: ASTM F15.76 Subcommittee Meeting on Locks and Latches

DATE OF MEETING: August 12, 2019

PLACE OF MEETING: Teleconference

LOG ENTRY SOURCE: Kevin Lee (ESMC)

COMMISSION ATTENDEES: Kevin Lee (ESMC)

NON-COMMISSION ATTENDEES: Molly Lynyak, Dan Desimone, Cher Sanchez, Gary Gillett, Bengt Lager, Belinda May, Sean Oberlie, Ken Walsh, Fred Mills-Winkler, Colleen Driscoll, Jon Robinson, Bonnie Kozial, Laxmi Ravikumar, Peter Kerin, Ken Kaiser, and Meredith Birkhead

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

CPSC staff participated in a teleconference meeting of the ASTM F16.76 Subcommittee on Locks and Latches to develop a new standard for child-resistant cabinet locks and latches.

The subcommittee updated the order of the draft standard's section to harmonize with ASTM's standard format. CPSC staff provided the subcommittee with the rationale for allowing a 1.25" inch drawer gap that was added to the standard's rationale. The subcommittee added a rationale to section 6.2.1 "Breaking strength", that mentions a product's breaking pull force of 45.3 lbf. The 45.3 lbf is based on the pull strength of a 95th percentile 3-year old male with a 10% factor of safety. The subcommittee agreed to continue discussing the location and minimum spacing for instructions. Some manufactures believe they should inform consumers where and how to properly install their product as opposed to the standard requiring certain wordage.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 29th from 11a-12p EST