

U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission Log of Meeting

SUBJECT: Teleconference on Tricycles with Stroller Modes

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CPSC ATTENDEES: Kristen Talcott

NON-CPSC ATTENDEES: Contact ASTM for the list of attendees

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

The group continued discussion on which products are within or outside the scope of the stroller standard, including push trikes with footrests, stroller-like products, and transition trikes with pedals removed or frozen (capable of moving, but in a mode where they are locked in place). The group discussed how the standard would distinguish between a tricycle and a stroller mode including how to consider design and marketing and whether to use “self-propelled” as the differentiator. There seems to be agreement that the current language in the standard suggests that, regardless of occupant age, that if the pedals can be turned resulting in translational motion, it is considered exempt; however there is concern that younger children may not be able to self-propel in some stroller-like modes based on development and position relative to pedals.

The proposed changes to the standard are meant to resolve the distinction between product as a whole and modes/configurations. There is general agreement that stroller modes of hybrid products that can function as both strollers and as tricycles should be covered by the standard, but members do not agree on what is considered to be a stroller mode. The group discussed whether a tricycle with only a forward facing mode could be exempt from the standard. CPSC staff stated their opinion that forward facing was not a feature that would distinguish a tricycle from a stroller, because there are many strollers that are forward-facing.

Next steps: task group members plan to compare that language in the ANSI and ASTM standards.