

US Consumer Product Safety Commission Log of Meeting

Subject: ASTM F15.22 – F963 Toy Safety Meeting

Date: Wednesday May 6, 2020

Location: Teleconference

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CPSC Attendees: Benjamin Mordecai, Kristen Talcott, Susan Bathalon, Sandy Inkster, Kristina Hatlelid, Michelle Guice, Stephen Lee, David DiMatteo, Patricia Edwards

Non-CPSC Attendees: Contact Molly Lynyak of ASTM ([REDACTED]) for more a complete list of attendees.

Summary of Meeting:

Acoustics – ASTM gave an overview of the Acoustics re-write submitted by CPSC personnel. Discussion took place on crib rail toys and if they should be combined with floor and tabletop toys. LA_{Fmax} , LA_{eq} , LC_{Peak} , requirements were discussed (4.5.1.5), discussion on the addition of the note to differentiate hand-held vs close-to-the-ear toy (3.1.14), discussion to add verbiage “also after use and abuse testing” to section 8.20.1.5. Section 5.12 will be removed, as those sections are no longer in the CFR. Previously, the CFR portions were removed because the ASTM requirements were more stringent.

Phthalates – Attendees asked why the draft section is written as drafted when a reference to 16 CFR 1307 would suffice, especially when changes to the CFR would result in a redrafted ballot. CPSC Staff noted that the listed materials for the test requirements and testing exceptions do not match the materials determinations issued by the CPSC.

Expanding Materials – Discussion took place to change the tolerances on the expanding materials test template. ASTM discussed toys containing expandable materials in their partial or fully expanded state that may not be sold as a small part, but could be after conditioning. CPSC staff raised issues with test conditioning samples, aggressive measurements, and the polymer beads breaking upon testing. Staff requested a task group meeting to discuss further.

Microbial – Art materials sold as a toy would not be exempted

Tracking Labels – Toys labeling are often rejected in shipping because of the City and State origins that are not included, which is a compliance issue with CPSC regulations.

Heavy metals testing – participants discussed possible revision of section 8.3.6.1 to clarify that any alternatives to the test methods that are referenced in the specification must be validated and approved before being used for testing for conformance with the heavy metals requirements.