

**LOG OF MEETING
DIRECTORATE FOR ENGINEERING SCIENCES**

SUBJECT: ISO TC 310 Child Care Articles

DATE OF MEETING: 17-19 June 2021

PLACE OF MEETING: Virtual (teleconference)

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COMMISSION ATTENDEES: Hope Nesteruk (ESMC)

NON-COMMISSION ATTENDEES: Contact ISO for attendee list.

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

Staff was invited to attend the ISO technical committee (TC) 310 initiating meeting on Child Care Articles June 17 to 19, 2021. Staff is a member of the US delegation, but was only an observer at this meeting as staff was not the leader for the US delegation.

Discussion topics included:

- The role of technical committees within ISO.
- Establishing the technical committee and its scope. Most countries voted for or abstained from the vote to establish the ISO committee. The US delegation voted against establishing the committee, although they will participate. The US expressed concern about the overlap with ASTM standards and CPSC regulations, and asked to have those considered while developing an ISO standard.
- How and if this ISO TC could work with established standards throughout the world without duplicating effort.
- The scope of the TC, both in terms of age range (up to age 4) and what was intended and agreed upon with phrases such as “general body care.” Suggestion was made and agreed to delete the phrase, leaving seating, bathing, changing, feeding, transportation, and protection.
- Focusing on safety by naming the group “Safety of child care articles.”
- Products to be covered by the proposed scope. Each country was given the opportunity to identify their high, medium, and low priority. The US delegation leader stated high priorities carry cots/Moses baskets, gates, swings/bouncers/rockers, sleeping aids, pacifiers, and bottles.

For the next steps, the list of products will be sent for consultation, ballot will be launched until mid-August to receive priorities for each country. In addition, working groups will be formed after the next meeting. Next meeting – two days, early January.