

MEETING LOG

PRODUCT: Torch Fuel and Lamp Fuel

SUBJECT: Teleconference of the ASTM Task Group on the Color and Odor of Torch Fuel and Lamp Fuel

LOCATION: Teleconference

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MEETING SUMMARY:

This meeting of the ASTM Task Group on the color and odor of torch and lamp fuel was led by the Task Group Chair, Jarrod Kuhn. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss and develop a new standard to address the hazards associated with the color and odor of torch and lamp fuel. The meeting proceeded as follows:

- An industry member raised concerns that a restrictive flow device as an enhanced safeguard to address a child's attraction to the product would be difficult to comply with because containers are typically of the free-flowing type to facilitate refilling into devices. The task group reached consensus that restricted flow is not practical for torch and lamp fuel containers.
- The task group agreed that the packaging itself already addresses the color and scent of the product.
- As a follow up from the September 2021 task group meeting, the task group discussed how best to address the color and odor of the product given that the task group agreed that the Packaging standard already addresses the color and the upcoming standard on design and use of devices intended to house the fuel would address odor since the scent would be given off when consumers use the device. The task group Chair plans to ask ASTM whether the task group needs a separate standard to address color and odor.

- An industry member mentioned that their company does not color fuel; the fuel is nearly clear. The member further stated that coloring of the fuel is not a practice of major product manufacturers and has not been for several years since the adoption of opaque containers.

- **Next Step**
 - The next task group meeting will be scheduled for December 7, 2021.