

**LOG OF MEETING
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SUBJECT: Meeting of the ASTM Infant and Infant/Toddler Rockers Restraint System Requirement TG

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LOCATION: Virtual (WebEx)

CPSC ATTENDEE(S): Zachary Foster (ESHF), Carlos Torres (ESMC), Suad Wanna-Nakamura (HSPP), Matthew Kresse (LSM)

NON-CPSC ATTENDEES: Contact ASTM for attendee list

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

The ASTM Infant and Infant/Toddler Rockers Restraint System Requirement Task Group (“TG”) was formed to explore adding requirements to ASTM F3084 that would specify how manufacturers of infant/toddler rockers can provide a means of stowing restraints away when not in use. The meeting was led by the TG lead, Jennifer King.

The meeting began with a summary of the previous meeting. The TG briefly discussed CPSC staff’s recent NPR for infant rockers (delivered to the Commission on 9/13/23). CPSC staff encouraged the TG to read staff’s briefing package and examine the included incident data.

The TG then moved to reviewing proposed language that was drafted based on feedback from the previous TG meeting. CPSC staff expressed concern with language that could potentially imply that certain rockers do not need a restraint system; the TG revised this language to clarify that all rockers require a restraint system. One TG member expressed concern that the proposed language implied that all rockers would be required to provide a means of storing restraints; the TG revised this language to clarify that restraint storage would be optional.

One TG member recommended adding a rationale for why the proposal does not allow complete removal of restraints, but also does not require a means of restraint storage for all products. CPSC staff noted that restraints aren’t removeable because use of restraints by younger infants (in infant rockers or in infant/toddler rockers in “infant” mode) is critical for product safety and allowing removal of restraints could result in restraints being lost and/or not used.

CPSC staff proposed including a strength test for the restraint storage apparatus. The TG will consider this issue at a later date. CPSC staff also reiterated that infant/toddler rocker restraints should be able to be stored when in an “infant” use mode (Note: TG is not proposing allowing a means of restraint storage for infant rockers, only infant/toddler rockers). TG members expressed concern about the feasibility of implementing this requirement.

One TG member noted the upcoming deadline for ballots to be considered at the next subcommittee meeting.

The TG is not currently scheduled to meet before the next ASTM subcommittee meeting, which is expected to take place between November 29 and December 1, 2023. CPSC staff will continue to participate in the subcommittee and task group meetings.