

MEETING LOG

SUBJECT: ASTM F15.29 F1487 Playground Equipment for Public Use - Play Mound Task Group Meeting

FY 24 OP PLAN ENTRY: Playground Equipment (Public)

DATE OF MEETING: 01/17/2024

LOCATION OF MEETING: Teleconference (Webex)

CPSC STAFF FILING MEETING LOG: Andy Newens (ESMC)

FILING DATE: 01/19/2024

CPSC ATTENDEE(S): Andy Newens (ESMC) & Khalisa Phillips (ESHF)

NON-CPSC ATTENDEE(S): Contact ASTM for the full attendee list

Summary of Meeting:

The task group (TG) met to continue developing performance requirements for play mounds (document WK84464). They have proposed new language under ASTM F1487-21, *Standard Consumer Safety Performance Specification for Playground Equipment for Public Use*, that they are preparing to send to ballot in the near-future. By "play mound," members mean surfacing features that have been introduced to add play value such as embankment, mound, and bump.

The TG chair provided an updated document with the changes agreed to during the November 2023 meeting, and reviewed the changes, including: the definition of "play embankment" was limited to man-made structures and excludes natural terrain variations; the development of requirements for "small surfacing play form" (alternatively called "impact-attenuating play form") and how they contrast with "stepping form"; clarification of the differences between "walking," "crawling," and "climbing" embankments; and the considerations involved in multi-sloped embankments.

Next Steps:

The TG chair asked the TG members to read through the document and prepare to discuss questions or comments at the next TG meeting on February 21, 2024.