

US Consumer Product Safety Commission Log of Meeting

Subject: ASTM F15.45 Candle Making Kit Task Group Meeting

Date: October 21, 2022

Location: Virtual

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CPSC Attendees: Scott Ayers and Julia Kerns

Non-CPSC Attendees: Contact ASTM for a complete list of attendees.

Summary of Meeting:

This task group is considering both appendix material for ASTM F2417 and developing a new standard both on candle making kits. Staff actively participated in the conversations.

The group first reviewed comments on the draft ASTM F2417 proposal for a candle making kit definition and non-mandatory appendix material on best practices for candle making kits. The group considered comments and made revisions accordingly.

The group then outlined a potential new standard for candle making kits. The discussed the scope of the standard. The standard should include both kits that include the necessary supplies and instructions as well as general instructions on making candles. Retailers and online resources provide instructions on making candles, this voluntary standard, would provide the makers of the instructions so guidelines on how to ensure the candles that are made from their instructions include some basic degree of safety. The group also reviewed whether the various candle types would be applicable to this standard; after discussion the group agreed that all known candle types should be included within scope of the standard. Overall, the group agreed that the standard should consider requirements for the instructions, requirements for what should be included in a candle making kit, that components should be new, and that ANSI Z535, ASTM F2417, ASTM F2179, ASTM F2601, and ASTM F2058 should all be referenced.

For the next meeting, Diana Gutierrez will develop some language on the importance of the candle wick. Scott Ayers and Cyndi Diliberto will write some other proposed sections of potential standard.

The group agreed to schedule the next meeting after the January 24, 2023 Candle Fire Safety Task Group meeting, probably sometime in March 2023.