



U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION
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TRANSMITTED VIA EMAIL

Joe Koury, F08 Staff Manager
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Re: ASTM F2115-19 Standard Specification for Motorized Treadmills

Dear Mr. Koury,

U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) staff requests that the subcommittee on fitness products, ASTM F08.30, develop requirements in ASTM F2115-19 to address hazards we have seen in incident data pertaining to treadmills. CPSC staff¹ is aware of one recent fatality and other injury or near-miss incidents involving children and operating treadmills. Specifically, the incidents show that some treadmills can entrap children and other objects underneath the rear roller on an operating treadmill. See the Health and Safety Notice CPSC issued on April 17, 2021 - [CPSC Warns Consumers: Stop Using the Peloton Tread+ | CPSC.gov](#).

If a task group is established, CPSC staff would be willing to participate and assist in developing additional safety requirements for the standard. The CPSC staff representative will be Susan M. Bowley, Ph.D., Mechanical and Biomedical Engineer, Division of Mechanical and Combustion Engineering (sbowley@cpsc.gov).

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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CC: Harvey Voris, ASTM F08.30 Subcommittee Chair
Susan M. Bowley, Ph.D., CPSC Mechanical and Biomedical Engineer

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