

ASTM F15 Meetings, November 8-10, 2010

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Changing Tables

Old Business –

- 1) Discussed changing tables that sit on top of a crib. Task group will look into the issue dealing with straps and active/passive attachments. For now, referring F1169-10 in the standard will be done.
- 2) Reviewed the definition of “add-on changing unit” in standard, and how it relates to the other definitions – especially “changing surface”. Including 9.3.2.2 – which implies that a changing surface can be attached to itself. Needs to be clarified. “Support surface” is also used in the standard, but is not defined.

NEISS data – a rise in changing table incidents, task group pulled to look into it and determine what can be done to improve the standard.

Bassinets and Cradles

Review Ballot 10-10: Ten different items on the ballot. Negatives reviewed and discussed. Most comments not reviewed due to time.

Item 3: Rock/Swing Maximum and Rest Angle

One negative found persuasive. Ballot will need to be reworded and then re-balloted.

Item 5: Fabric Sided Enclosed Opening Test

One negative found persuasive. Ballot will need to be reworded and then re-balloted.

All other items had no negatives or negatives were found non-persuasive.

New Business – Presented a new Holes and Openings Requirements wording. Review it and more discussion next meeting.

New Business – Limitation of pads to one inch. With the new fabric side test, there may not be a need to limit the pad to only one inch. Plus, for a rigid bassinet, the hazard is not present. Task group to be established to look into this.

Play yards/Non-full-size Cribs

Old Business – October 1, 2010 ballot (two items)

Item 9: Slat/spindle strength test – for folding sides and Item 10: Netting warning. No negatives, only comments.

These items will go into the F406-10b version, which will be approved on December 1, 2010.

Other Old Business: Play Yard provisions – Task group report on:

- 1) Structural integrity of the corners
- 2) Mattress retention on the bottom of play yard
- 3) V gap testing

#### Full-Size Cribs

Ballot results – Slat/spindle strength testing for folding sides. No negatives, only comments.

New Business –

Crib Side Configuration (5.6) and Rail Height (5.7.2) are similar but different. Suggestion made to address movable sides and stationary sides differently. Three rail heights are discussed: Top of a movable side (in upper position) to the lowest mattress support = 26". Top of stationary side to the highest mattress support = 15". Top of the movable rail in the lowest position to mattress in highest position = 9".

8.4 Warnings being visible or a location where they are located is visible. Is the first warning statement written (which is not addressing a specific hazard, but just in general) required to be visible too, or can it be elsewhere, assuming there is a visible warning telling you where.

Corner post question – what if it was an end cap. Two examples shown where one could be a hazard the other maybe not. Will need to define corner post as part of the solution.

Section 5.6.3 needs to be re-written as there are examples of product that could fail that shouldn't and vice versa. This is the toe hold provision that was added to address the climb outs on the sleigh crib with high end panels.

#### Crib Mattresses

First organizational meeting. A draft standard containing stage 1 requirements (dimensions, warnings and instructions) was circulated and reviewed.

Stage 2 and 3 to come later, by setting up task groups to develop the rest.

A vote was taken to restrict the standard to only crib mattresses (FS and NFS) and not other sleeping surfaces.

#### Infant Bedding

Bumper pad tie strength requirements – proposed test is set at 20# pull. This was based on Toys R Us internal standard. The test, as proposed, will be sent out to ballot. Other issues with bumpers will continue with the task group.

## **November 9, 2010**

### **Toddler Beds**

Review of the main committee ballot, two items:

#12 Removal of sections 6.1, 6.1.1, 6.1.2 and 8.4.4.2 and #13 Guardrail Strength Test

Only non-persuasive negatives and comments received.

Openings Requirement – Voted to bring in the language used in the crib standard exempting holes on the bottom of the product.

### **Commercial Cribs**

The discussion centered around evacuation cribs and how to identify them.

### **Bedside Sleepers**

The draft standard and the latest revisions to the draft were reviewed and discussed. Nothing ready to be sent to ballot. Discussion stopped and deferred to task groups to continue work.

### **CPSIA**

Cheri Falvey, General Counsel for CPSC lead a discussion and Q&A session regarding the CPSIA.

### **Hammocks**

Reviewed the draft standard. Nothing ready for balloting yet.

## **November 10, 2010**

### **Strollers**

Recall reviews –

- 1) Buckle recall. Task group set up on on restraints.
- 2) Scissoring, shearing or pinching issue.
  - A) Canopies are no longer exempt from the requirement.
  - B) Saddle hinge. Task group to go back and do more work and attempt to get a ballot out before the next meeting.

Strollers with Infant Carriers (or Frames that use infant carriers) – Discussion regarding responsibility of the frame/stroller maker, the infant carrier maker, etc. Proposed language for the standard had a lot of objections. Task group to do more work.

Appendix language review – Enclosure D. Discussed and needs more work.

Restraining System – needs a revision to section 7.5.4.3 to make it clear the cylinder is placed in the center of the seat. Language reviewed and will go out to ballot.

Added the font size text to the warnings section. To go to ballot.

### High Chair

New F404-10 will be out later this month.

New proposed revisions to the standard were reviewed and discussed.

New Business – Recall reviews:

- 1) Graco high chair regarding screws in the legs backing out.
- 2) Fisher-Price Recall for a protrusion on the back of the chair leg.

### Walkers

Reviewed the differences between 16CFR1216 and F977-09. These two changes will NOT be sent to ballot. All other differences between F977-09 and 16CFR1216 will go to ballot.

New Business – how to deal with step tables that need to be higher, because the weight is being dropped farther with the new requirements. Sent to the memory sheet for now.

### Children's Folding Chairs (and Stools)

Toy standard is being re-written to exclude stools thus the reason for adding it to this standard. The standard will cover all children's chairs and stools and have specific requirements for products that fold. Reviewed the rest of the draft revision. Will go out to ballot.

### Infant Bath Seats

Ballot results 10-08 (Balloted to be in line with the new regulation). Only non-persuasive negatives and comments received.

Discussion regarding the tub (test platform) availability – the test tub is no longer commercially available, but one test lab said it is available on special order.

### Infant Bath Tubs

Review ballot results 10-08 (item #2) clarification of the warnings statements. Only non-persuasive negatives and comments received.

New Business:

Stability of pod type tubs. Task group established to look into this issue.

### Bouncers

Ballot 10-09 Item #14 results review. Only non-persuasive negatives and comments received.

Old Business regarding the scope of the standard – to change it to include stationary (non-bouncing) seats. By changing the scope, task group recommends that the dynamic slip resistance test be changed. Other requirements would be identical. Looking to exclude hand held carrier seats and swings, both of which have their own standards.

Also discussed the stability aspect and how it might be tied to some of the elevated surface falls.

#### Soft Infant Carriers

Ballot 10-09 Item #15 – Change to warnings section 8.4 for clarification purposes. No negatives. Will be included in new revision.

#### Booster Seats

Reviewed ballot results from ballot 10-09. Item #7- Revision to marking and labeling to expand the type of hazards listed on the warning labels. Only non-persuasive negatives and comments received.

Item #8 – To remove the wood block from the static and dynamic tests to eliminate a load concentration at the corners of the block on fabric seats, and on plastic seats – the seating surface is contoured and thus it wasn't distributing the load properly. Negatives received and found to be persuasive. Task group to develop new language and it will be sent out to ballot before the next meeting.