

**U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission
LOG OF MEETING**

SUBJECT: ASTM F15 Subcommittee Meeting: Bed Rails

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CPSC ATTENDEE(S): Patricia Hackett, Scott Heh, Jonathan Midgett, John Murphy, Caroleen Paul, Susan Perkins

NON-CPSC ATTENDEE(S): See attached attendance list

SUMMARY OF MEETING: The subcommittee discussed negative votes to the latest ballott. Among the larger topics discussed, but voted non-persuasive, were issues of whether the test probe should be specified for "rigidity" or "smoothness", the perceived lack of consensus on the ballot, and whether the Use and Abuse testing should be specified. Several minor points were added to the standard, such as section 1.4 and the finger entrapment prevention specification. Other discussions about the variability of fitted cotton sheets and their unknown effects on the testing led to the formation of a task group to examine whether or not fitted sheets will affect the test. A negative comment about the test method using platform 3 which simulates a bunk bed or spindle

CPSC 6 (b)(7) Cleared

No Mfrs/Private Labels 7-17-02
Products Identified ARB
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frame bed led to complaints from some members that the warning label forbidding the use of bed rails with such products contradicted the testing in the standard. Members suggested either removing the label or omitting platform 3 tests. This was voted persuasive and a task group was formed to examine the warning labels. Not all of the negative votes were completed and an interim meeting was committed to, although not scheduled, for some time in the next two months.

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