

**U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission  
Log of Meeting**

**SUBJECT:** Seat Restraints for Shopping Carts

**DATE OF MEETING:** October 15, 2002

**LOG ENTRY SOURCE:** Barbara J. Jacobson

**DATE OF LOG ENTRY:** October 25, 2002

**LOCATION:** CPSC Headquarters – 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, MD

**CPSC ATTENDEES:**

Lori Saltzman, Directorate for Health Sciences  
Barbara Jacobson, Directorate for Health Sciences  
Jason Goldsmith, Directorate for Health Sciences  
Caroleene Paul, Directorate for Engineering Sciences  
Carolyn Meiers, Directorate for Engineering Sciences  
Debra Sweet, Directorate for Epidemiology  
Mary Donaldson, Directorate for Economic Analysis

**NON-CPSC ATTENDEES:**

Mike Stroud, Vice President, Textile & Plastic Products, YKK (U.S.A.) Inc.  
Paul Giampavolo, President, Safe-Strap Co., Inc.

**SUMMARY OF MEETING:**

Mr. Stroud requested the meeting to make the CPSC staff aware of the features of the YKK shopping cart seat restraint. All components of the restraint are manufactured by YKK.

Mr. Stroud stated that the YKK 3-point safety buckle helps prevent accidental disengagement. The restraint straps are made of coated webbing for durability and for the anti-bacterial properties. He said that adult caregivers are more likely to use a seat restraint for a child if the restraint is not dirty and worn.

Mr. Stroud indicated that the YKK restraint is about twice the cost of the restraint systems currently used on shopping carts but would not require repair or replacement as frequently.

The staff thanked Mr. Stroud for coming in to share information about the YKK seat restraint and for considering safety issues in their product development.

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