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LOG OF MEETING**

SUBJECT: ASTM Gates Push Out task group

DATE OF MEETING: 21 August 2018

LOG ENTRY SOURCE: Hope E J. Nesteruk, ESMC

LOCATION: Teleconference, 5 Research Place, Rockville, MD

**CPSC ATTENDEE(S): Hope Nesteruk, Carlos Torres, ESMC;
Jill Hurley, ESHF; and Jill Jenkins, EC**

NON-CPSC ATTENDEE(S): Task group chair Jon Robinson. Contact ASTM for full attendee list.

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

This Task Group (TG) meeting was a follow up to the August 14nd task group meeting to continue work on proposals for a 30-pound push-out force.

The meeting began with the task group lead, also the subcommittee chair, Jon Robinson, reiterating that the goal was to refine a proposal by the end of August in order to ballot in September. The following topics were discussed:

Wall cup point of sale requirements

- Several example methods of attaching wall cups to the gate at the point of sale were presented. One example was to put the wall cups in a bag and attach the bag to the gate, but to have the instructions and warnings elsewhere. Several task group members felt that the warning should be with the wall cup, not separated.
- Another example was to tape wall cups to the tension bolts. Some members felt that including the wall cup in the same bag as the tension bolt, but not attaching it to the tension bolt, was sufficient.
- Final consensus was to require the warning to be with wall cups attached to a gate panel and that wall cups with tension bolts needed to be attached in the in-use position,

Warnings

- CPSC staff supported the proposal to attach the wall cup warning to the top rail of the gate. This would be consistent with discussions several years ago, which would have required the push-put warning to be along the top rail. Many of the task group members

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were against requiring a second label. After discussion, the majority of the task group agreed to put the warning language in the main warning (*i.e.*, not a separate label on the top rail), but that the wording would be the first bulleted item. The language that reached consensus was “You MUST install wall cups to keep gate in place. Without wall cups, child can push out and escape.”

Instruction

- The task group agreed to add the word “installation” to section 9.1, which lists the topics that much be covered in the instructions.

Other proposals

- One task group member made a proposal to require hard pressure points (rather than high friction rubber) to discourage use without wall cups. After discussion, the group agreed to table the topic for the time being.

The chair will revise the proposal and, then send it to the group for final review before submitting it for the September ballot.