

MEETING LOG

SUBJECT: Subcommittee meeting for ANSI PHTA-4

LOCATION: Teleconference call

DATE: December 3, 2021

ENTRY DATE: December 10, 2021

LOG ENTRY SOURCE: Susan Bathalon

COMMISSION ATTENDEES:

Susan Bathalon, EXHR

Mark Eilbert, LSM

Other ASTM MEETING ATTENDEES:

Genevieve Lynn, PHTA Administration,

Matthew Whalen, Intex Corp.

Joe Flores, Bestway Corp.,

Zoran Madzar, Intexcorp.,

Dennis Lederhouse, Conferplastics,

Collin Sirco, Radiant Pools.,

Mitch Saccoccio, Bue Torrent Pool Products

Eric Steinmeyer, Polygroup,

Kenneth Gregory, Pentair Corp.,

Contact PHTA/ANSI for a full list of attendees.

MEETING SUMMARY:

The subcommittee reviewed the PHTA antitrust policy, and approved the November 6, 2018 subcommittee meeting minutes. Meeting activities included a review of an above ground pool incident in which a 2-year-old climbed a purported child resistant (CR) ladder panel by wedging his foot in spacing gaps.

The subcommittee review of the current PHTA-4 Standard for Above and On Ground Residential Pools included :

1. A proposed marked up version of the standard was circulated that addressed section 11.10.3 submerged suction outlets language, which included proposed language from a subcommittee member and also from CPSC staff. Proposed language addressed updating the reference to ANSI/APSP-16 2017 Suction Outlet Fitting Assemblies for Use in Pools, Spas, and Hot Tubs. CPSC staff further proposed that the reference to ANSI/APSP-16 2017 be limited to the sections incorporated into the VGBA. Section 11.10.3 language was reviewed and modified in the meeting.
2. A proposed reference to APSP/PHTA-4 in ANSI/APSP-16 2017 that requires Storable Pools, which include multiple drains, be certified to APSP/PHTA-4. The proposal was partially based on the CPSC Response Letter to the provisional language amendments in ANSI/APSP-16 2017 Suction Outlet Fitting Assemblies for Use in Pools, Spas, and Hot Tubs.
3. A review of CPSC and other organizations data concerning drowning injury data. CDC July 2021 drowning statistics from the NCHS Database were discussed. A New Zealand study on barrier and residential pool safety was discussed. The CPSC fatality injury spreadsheet with data occurring from 2016 to 2018 were briefly discussed; this data is a subset of information from the

CPSC Epidemiology May 2021 annual publication of Pool and Spa submersion and drownings.
The subcommittee members were asked to review all the data findings.

Next steps:

A doodle poll for the next meeting will be provided to the SC members to determine the next meeting
The next meeting will be mid-January 2022.