

MEETING LOG

SUBJECT: ASTM F15.59 Children's Step Stools and Standing Towers Task Group Meeting Log

FY 24 OP PLAN ENTRY: Children's Folding Chairs and Stools

DATE OF MEETING: 5/2/2024

LOCATION OF MEETING: Virtual

CPSC STAFF FILING MEETING LOG: Brad Gordon

FILING DATE: 6/13/2024

CPSC ATTENDEE(S): Zachary Goldstein (LSM), Brad Gordon (ESMC), Stephen Harsanyi (ESHF), and Daniel Taxier (ESMC)

NON-CPSC ATTENDEE(S): Contact ASTM for the full attendee list.

Summary of Meeting:

The Children's Step Stools and Standing Towers Task Group (TG) met to discuss improvements to the draft standard. The TG discussed various definitions: e.g. for the terms "folding mechanism", "fold", and "metal threaded fasteners". The TG discussed the requirement for scissoring, pinching, and shearing; the TG agreed to have one scissoring, pinching, and shearing requirement for step stools and a second (separate) requirement for standing towers. The group also discussed slip resistance (in reference to the EN14183 standard) as well as friction requirements. CPSC staff inquired whether there should be a prohibition on wheels/castors for standing towers because castor wheels could lead to instability. The TG discussed whether wheels and castors should be allowed. The group looked to the performance requirements for the high chair standard (EN14988) and discussed modifying the draft standard to include language which limits more than two wheels for standing towers.

Next Steps:

The TG plans to meet to continue working on the draft standard. The next meeting is scheduled for June 6, 2024 from 3–4:30 PM EST.

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