



## MEETING LOG

**SUBJECT:** ASTM F08.63 Playground Surfacing Systems Subcommittee

**FY 24 OP PLAN ENTRY:** Playground Surfacing

**DATE OF MEETING:** 5/08/2024

**LOCATION OF MEETING:** In-person, Philadelphia Marriott Downtown for ASTM Committee Week

**CPSC STAFF FILING MEETING LOG:** Andy Newens (ESMC)

**FILING DATE:** 5/30/2024

**CPSC ATTENDEE(S):** In-person: Andy Newens (ESMC)

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

### Summary of Meeting:

The subcommittee reviewed the results for the main committee ballot F08 (23-07) (WK77899, closed 12/28/23), regarding ASTM F2479-17, *Standard Guide for Specification, Purchase, Installation and Maintenance of Poured-In-Place Playground Surfacing*. The voting results approved the motion to find previous negatives non-persuasive. The original subcommittee ballot proposed new language for F2479 regarding cleaning, maintenance, and repair recommendations for poured-in-place playground surfacing, emphasizing consultation with the manufacturer/supplier/installer of the surfacing.

Next, the subcommittee reviewed the results for the ballot F08.63 (24-01) (WK88682, closed 3/12/24), which proposed a revision of F1292 *Specification for Impact Attenuation of Surfacing Materials Within the Use Zone of Playground Equipment*. In addition to updating the title to accurately reflect the test methods of the standard (add to the title, "*as Tested in a Laboratory*"), the proposed revisions add the test method and related language from ASTM F3351, for specified test height, to offer an additional test method for playground surfacing manufacturers. Further, this also aligns with ASTM F3313 test procedures, in which an owner/operator can specify a drop height. The only negative vote (after two were withdrawn) sought to change the suggested language in the appendix to mandatory language. The subcommittee found the vote non-persuasive because mandatory language does not belong to a standard's appendix.

Lastly, the subcommittee discussed some new business, including: a Maryland State Act related to regulating PFAS in playground surfacing; interest by the subcommittee chair in creating a guide on toxicity in surfacing; and issues in the field with poured-in-place surfacing wrinkling due to poor drainage and freezing, which may be incorporated into an existing guide. CPSC staff will participate in discussions about toxicity in playground surfacing.

CPSC staff reiterated their plans to make public the proposed updates to the (2010) *Handbook for Public Playground Safety* by the end of FY24.

### Next Steps:

CPSC staff will continue participating in the playground surfacing systems subcommittee. The next subcommittee meeting will be held in conjunction with F08/F15 Committee Week in November 2024 in Orlando.