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Standard Consumer Safety Performance Specification for Commercial Cribs¹

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INTRODUCTION

This consumer safety performance specification addresses incidents identified by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) which involved infant cribs used in commercial uses such as the hospitality and day care industries.

In response to incident data compiled by CPSC, and in recognition of the more intense use that cribs which are used for commercial purposes encounter, this consumer safety performance specification attempts to minimize the hazards which result from structural failure, instability, and related deficiencies. This consumer safety performance specification will also address issues related to maintenance and repair of these products in use, their transportation and storage and the wide variety of uses for these products.

1. Scope

1.1 This consumer safety performance specification establishes performance requirements, test methods, and marking requirements to promote the safe use of cribs in commercial environments such as hotels, rentals, motels, day care centers and the like.

1.2 This consumer safety performance specification subsumes the federal and ASTM standards which are in existence for these types of product when those products are used in non-commercial applications.

1.3 This consumer safety performance specification includes products intended to provide a safe sleeping environment such as full size cribs, non full size cribs, and playards and includes both rigid and mesh sided units. The term “crib” as used in this standard includes all of these items.

1.4 Products such as bassinets and cradles are specifically excluded from this consumer safety performance specification.

1.5 No commercial crib produced after the approval date of this consumer safety performance specification shall, either by label or other means indicate compliance with this specification unless it conforms to all applicable requirements contained herein, before and after all testing.

1.6 The following precautionary caveat pertains only to the test method portions of this consumer and other referenced

safety specifications. The standard(s) may involve the use of hazardous materials, operations and equipment. The standard(s) does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish all appropriate safety and health practices and to determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.

1.7 The values stated in inch-pound units are to be regarded as standard. The values given in parentheses are mathematical conversions to SI units that are provided for information only and are not considered standard.

1.8 *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards:*²

F406 Consumer Safety Specification for Non-Full-Size Baby Cribs/Play Yards

F1148 Consumer Safety Performance Specification for Home Playground Equipment

F1169 Consumer Safety Specification for Full-Size Baby Cribs

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² For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.