

U.S. Federal Register Update: August 29 – September 2, 2022

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[Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for General Service Fluorescent Lamps, Incandescent Reflector Lamps, and General Service Incandescent Lamps](#)

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Reference ANSI, IEC, NEMA, NFPA

In this final rule, the U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") is adopting amendments to the test procedures for general service fluorescent lamps ("GSFLs"), incandescent reflector lamps ("IRLs"), and general service incandescent lamps ("GSILs") to update references to industry test standards and provide citations to specific sections of these standards; amend definitions; reference specific sections within industry test standards for further clarity; provide test methods for measuring coloring rendering index ("CRI") for incandescent lamps and measuring lifetime of IRLs; clarify test frequency and inclusion of cathode power in measurements for GSFLs; decrease the sample size and specify all metrics for all lamps be measured from the same sample; and align terminology across relevant sections of the Code of Federal Regulations relating to GSFLs, IRLs and GSILs. **The effective date of this rule is September 30, 2022. The final rule changes will be mandatory for product testing starting February 27, 2023. The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in this rule is approved by the Director of the Federal Register on September 30, 2022. The incorporation by reference of certain other publications listed in this rule was approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of June 30, 1997, March 23, 2009, September 14, 2009, and February 27, 2012.**

[Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedure for Water-Source Heat Pumps](#)

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Reference ANSI, ASHRAE, CSA, ISO

The U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") proposes to amend its test procedures for water-source heat pumps, with the main changes being ones to expand the scope of applicability of the test procedure, reference different industry standards than currently referenced, change to a seasonal cooling efficiency metric, and change the test conditions used for the heating metric. DOE has tentatively determined that the amended test procedure would produce results that are more representative of an average use cycle and more consistent with current industry practice without being unduly burdensome to conduct. DOE seeks comment from interested parties on this proposal. **Comments: DOE will accept comments, data, and information regarding this proposal no later than October 31, 2022. See section V, "Public Participation," for details. Public Meeting: DOE will hold a public meeting via webinar on Wednesday, September 14, 2022, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. See section V, "Public Participation," for webinar registration information, participant instructions, and information about the capabilities available to webinar participants.**

[Energy Conservation Program: Final Determination of Portable Electric Spas as a Covered Consumer Product](#)

Published 9/2/2022

Reference ANSI

The U.S. Department of Energy ("DOE") has determined that portable electric spas qualify as a covered product under Part A of Title III of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended ("EPCA"). DOE has determined that classifying portable electric spas as covered products is necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes of EPCA, and that the average U.S. household energy use for portable electric spas is likely to exceed 100 kilowatt-hours per year. **This final rule is effective November 1, 2022.**

[Pipeline Safety: Periodic Standards Update II](#)

Published 8/29/2022

Reference ANSI, ASME, ASTM, NFPA, UL

PHMSA incorporates more than 80 voluntary, consensus, industry technical standards by reference within the Federal pipeline safety regulations (PSRs). This notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) proposes amendments that would incorporate by reference all or parts of updated editions of some of those standards. This NPRM also proposes non-substantive edits and clarifications to certain other provisions of the PSRs. **Members of the public who are interested in submitting comments on this NPRM must do so by October 28, 2022.**

[Accidental Release Prevention Requirements: Risk Management Programs Under the Clean Air Act; Safer Communities by Chemical Accident Prevention](#)

Published 8/31/2022

Reference ANSI, ASSP, ASTM, IEEE, NFPA

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to amend its Risk Management Program (RMP) regulations as a result of Agency review. The proposed revisions include several changes and amplifications to the accident prevention program requirements, enhancements to the emergency preparedness requirements, increased public availability of chemical hazard information, and several other changes to certain regulatory definitions or points of clarification. These proposed amendments seek to improve chemical process safety; assist in planning, preparedness, and responding to RMP-reportable accidents; and improve public awareness of chemical hazards at regulated sources. **Comments must be received on or before October 31, 2022.**

[Safety Standard for Frame Child Carriers](#)

Published 9/1/2022

Reference ASTM

In March 2015, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) published a consumer product safety standard for frame child carriers under section 104 of the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (CPSIA). The standard incorporated by reference the ASTM voluntary standard for frame child carriers that had been adopted in 2014 and was in effect at the time. The CPSIA sets forth a process for updating mandatory standards for durable infant or toddler products that are based on a voluntary standard, when the voluntary standards organization revises the standard. Consistent with the CPSIA's update process, this direct final rule updates the mandatory standard for frame child carriers to incorporate by reference ASTM's 2022 version of the voluntary standard. **The rule is effective on December 3, 2022, unless CPSC receives a significant adverse comment by October 3, 2022. If CPSC receives such a comment, it will publish a document in the Federal Register, withdrawing this direct final rule before its effective date. The incorporation by reference of the publication listed in this rule is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of December 3, 2022.**

[Notice of Availability and Request for Comment: Revision to the Voluntary Standard for Children's Chairs and Children's Stools](#)

Published 9/2/2022

Reference ASTM

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission's (Commission or CPSC) mandatory rule, Safety Standard for Children's Folding Chairs and Children's Folding Stools, incorporates by reference ASTM F2613-21, Standard Consumer Safety Specification for Children's Chairs and Stools. The Commission has received notice of a revision to this incorporated voluntary standard. CPSC seeks comment on whether the revision improves the safety of the consumer products covered by the standard. **Comments must be received by September 16, 2022.**

[Heavy Walled Rectangular Welded Carbon Steel Pipes and Tubes From the Republic of Korea: Preliminary Results and Rescission, in Part, of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2020-2021](#)

Published 9/1/2022

Reference ASTM

The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) is rescinding this administrative review with respect to one company for which the request for review was timely withdrawn. Additionally, Commerce preliminarily determines that the sole producer/exporter that remains subject to this administrative review made sales of subject merchandise at less than normal value (NV) during the period of review (POR) September 1, 2020, through August 31, 2021. Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results. **Applicable September 1, 2022.**

[Exempt Chemical Preparations Under the Controlled Substances Act](#)

Published 8/31/2022

Reference ISO

The applications for exempt chemical preparations received by the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) between August 30, 2021, and March 31, 2022, as listed below, were accepted for filing and have been approved or denied as indicated. **Interested persons may file written comments on this order in accordance with 21 CFR 1308.23(e). Electronic comments must be submitted, and written comments must be postmarked, on or before October 31, 2022. Commenters**

should be aware that the electronic Federal Docket Management System will not accept comments after 11:59 p.m. eastern time on the last day of the comment period.

[Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget \(OMB\) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; NIST Invention Disclosure and Inventor Information Collection](#)

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Reference NIST

The Department of Commerce, in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed, and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days of public comment preceding submission of the collection to OMB. **To ensure consideration, comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before October 31, 2022.**

[Information Collection Requirements; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement \(DFARS\); Cyber Incident Reporting and Cloud Computing](#)

Published 8/31/2022

Reference NIST

The Defense Acquisition Regulations System has submitted to OMB for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act. **Consideration will be given to all comments received by September 30, 2022.**

[Name of Information Collection: Identity Management System \(IdMAX\) for Personal Identity Validation \(PIV\) for Routine and Intermittent Access to NASA Facilities, Sites, and Information Systems](#)

Published 9/1/2022

Reference NIST

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections. **Comments are due by October 31, 2022.**

[Special Conditions: TC Inter-Informatics A.S., Airbus Model A330-243 Airplane; Single-Occupant, Oblique \(Side-Facing\) Seats With Inflatable Lap Belts](#)

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Reference SAE

These amended special conditions are issued for the Airbus Model A330-243 series airplane, as modified by TC Inter-Informatics A.S. (TC Inter-Informatics). This airplane will have a novel or unusual design feature when compared to the state of technology envisioned in the airworthiness standards for transport-category airplanes. This design feature is single-occupant, oblique, B/E Aerospace Super Diamond seats, equipped with inflatable lap belts. The applicable airworthiness regulations do not contain adequate or appropriate safety standards for this design feature. These special conditions contain the additional safety standards that the Administrator considers necessary to establish a level of safety equivalent to that established by the existing airworthiness standards. **This action is effective on TC Inter-Informatics on August 29, 2022.**
