

U.S. Federal Register Update: October 22 – October 26, 2018

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[Food and Drug Administration Modernization Act of 1997: Modifications to the List of Recognized Standards, Recognition List Number: 050](#)

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Reference ANSI, AAMI, ASME, ASTM, IEC, ISO

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA or Agency) is announcing a publication containing modifications the Agency is making to the list of standards FDA recognizes for use in premarket reviews (FDA Recognized Consensus Standards). This publication, entitled "Modifications to the List of Recognized Standards, Recognition List Number: 050" (Recognition List Number: 050), will assist manufacturers who elect to declare conformity with consensus standards to meet certain requirements for medical devices. **Submit electronic or written comments concerning this document at any time. These modifications to the list of recognized standards are effective October 22, 2018.**

[Steel Propane Cylinders From the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination and Alignment of Final Determination With Final Antidumping Duty Determination](#)

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Reference ANSI, ASME, ISO

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that countervailable subsidies are being provided to producers and exporters of steel propane cylinders from the People's Republic of China (China) for the period of investigation December 1, 2017, through January 31, 2017. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination. **Applicable October 26, 2018.**

[Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to the Mission Bay Ferry and Water Taxi Landing Project in San Francisco Bay, California](#)

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Reference ANSI

In accordance with the regulations implementing the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) as amended, notification is hereby given that NMFS has issued an incidental harassment authorization (IHA) to the Port of San Francisco to incidentally harass, by Level B harassment only, marine mammals during construction activities associated with the pile driving, pile removal, and drilling on the Mission Bay Ferry Landing (MBFL) and Water Taxi Landing (WTL) Project in San Francisco Bay, California. **This Authorization is effective from June 1, 2019, to May 31, 2020.**

[Wassenaar Arrangement 2017 Plenary Agreements Implementation](#)

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Reference ANSI, ASTM, IEEE, ISO

The Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) maintains, as part of its Export Administration Regulations (EAR), the Commerce Control List (CCL), which identifies certain items subject to Department of Commerce jurisdiction. This final rule revises the CCL, as well as corresponding parts of the EAR, to implement changes made to the Wassenaar Arrangement List of Dual-Use Goods and Technologies (WA List) maintained and agreed to by governments participating in the Wassenaar Arrangement on Export Controls for Conventional Arms and Dual-Use Goods and Technologies (Wassenaar Arrangement, or WA) at the December 2017 WA Plenary meeting. The Wassenaar Arrangement advocates implementation of effective export controls on strategic items with the objective of improving regional and international security and stability. This rule harmonizes the CCL with the agreements reached at the 2017 Plenary meeting by revising Export Control Classification Numbers (ECCNs) controlled for national security reasons in each category of the CCL. This rule also makes other associated changes to the EAR and makes a correction. **This rule is effective October 24, 2018.**

Revisions to Safety Standard for Infant Bath Tubs

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Reference ASTM

In accordance with section 104(b) of the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (CPSIA), the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), in March 2017, published a consumer product safety standard for infant bath tubs. The standard incorporated by reference the applicable ASTM voluntary standard. The CPSIA sets forth a process for updating standards that the Commission has issued under the authority of section 104(b) of the CPSIA. In accordance with that process, we are publishing this direct final rule, revising the CPSC's standard for infant bath tubs to incorporate by reference a more recent version of the applicable ASTM standard. **The rule is effective on January 15, 2019, unless we receive significant adverse comment by November 23, 2018. If we receive timely significant adverse comments, we will publish notification 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 January 15, 2019.**

Correction to Notice of Availability (NOA) for Consensus Standards, Light-Sport Aircraft, Notice No. NOA-18-01

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Reference ASTM

This action for NOA-18-01 corrects the designation for one of the consensus standards. NOA-18-01 announced the availability and requests comments on two new and two revised consensus standards relating to the provisions of the Sport Pilot and Light-Sport Aircraft rule.

Harmonization of Fire Protection Equipment Standards for Towing Vessels

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Reference NFPA

The Coast Guard is finalizing an interim final rule that applied the changes made by the 2016 final rule, "Harmonization of Standards for Fire Protection, Detection, and Extinguishing Equipment," to inspected towing vessels. The interim final rule, published February 26, 2018 in the Federal Register, aligned fire protection and equipment regulations for inspected towing vessels with other commercial vessel regulations. The Coast Guard received no comments on the interim rule, and adopts the interim final rule with one clarification. **This final rule is effective November 26, 2018.**

Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program

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Reference NFPA

Pursuant to the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974, as amended, the Administrator of FEMA is publishing this notice describing the Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Program application process, deadlines, and award selection criteria. This notice explains the differences, if any, between these guidelines and those recommended by representatives of the national fire service leadership during the annual meeting of the Criteria Development Panel, which was held January 17, 2018. The application period for the FY 2018 AFG Program began September 24, 2018 and closes October 26, 2018, and was announced on the AFG website at: <https://www.fema.gov/welcome-assistance-firefighters-grant-program>, as well as at www.grants.gov. **Grant applications for the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program are accepted electronically at <https://portal.fema.gov>, from September 24, 2018 through October 26, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.**

