

Manufacturers and importers of children's products subject to the lead requirements are required to certify their product using a CPSC-accepted third-party laboratory. 15 U.S.C. 2063.

Section 101 of the CPSIA requires periodic review and possible further reductions of the lead limit for children's products and paints or similar surface-coatings and states that the Commission "shall, based on the best available scientific and technical information, periodically review and revise downward the limit set forth . . . no less frequently than every 5 years after promulgation of the limit . . . to require the lowest amount of lead that the Commission determines is technologically feasible to achieve." 15 U.S.C. 1278a(a)(2)(E) and (f)(2).

Section 101(d) of the CPSIA provides that a lead limit shall be deemed technologically feasible with regard to a product or product category if:

- a product that complies with the limit is commercially available in the product category;
- technology to comply with the limit is commercially available to manufacturers or is otherwise available within the common meaning of the term;
- industrial strategies or devices have been developed that are capable, or will be capable of, achieving such a limit by the effective date of the limit and that companies, acting in good faith, are generally capable of adopting; or
- alternative practices, best practices, or other operational changes would allow the manufacturer to comply with the limit.

15 U.S.C. 1278a(d).

CPSC staff conducted the required assessment under Section 101 of the CPSIA. The CPSC currently maintains some of the most stringent lead restrictions in the world for children's products, consumer paints and certain painted products. Although lead is sometimes intentionally added to materials to create a desirable functional property, such uses generally result in lead concentrations considerably above the current lead limits for children's products, consumer paints and certain painted products. Relatively low lead levels, such as near or below the current limits, may be considered as unintentional or contaminant levels of lead.

Measuring lead at low "trace" levels requires careful analysis using appropriate methods and sophisticated and sensitive laboratory instruments. The CPSC has published several test methods to determine the total lead content in children's metal and non-metal products and paints or similar

surface coating materials: CPSC-CH-E1001-08.3 Total Lead (Pb) in Children's Metal Products (Including Children's Metal Jewelry), CPSC-CH-E1002-08.3 Total Lead (Pb) in Non-Metal Children's Products, and CPSC Test Method CPSC-CH-E1003-09 Standard Operating Procedure for Determining Lead (Pb) in Paint and Other Similar Surface Coatings.¹

Staff assessed the technological feasibility of reducing both the current total lead content limit by weight to under 100 ppm and the current lead limit in paints to under 90 ppm based on the current testing capabilities and limits of detection for lead. Since the enactment of section 101(a) of the CPSIA, there have been no new or improved testing capabilities generally available to commercial or government laboratories that would support reproducible and reliable testing for lead content significantly lower than the current limits. The two main analytical methods CPSC uses to measure lead are X-ray Fluoresce spectroscopy (XRF) and Inductively Coupled Plasma Optical Emission Spectroscopy (ICP-OES). Limits of Detection (LODs) are the lowest level an instrument can detect in a certain substrate and are determined using ideal, homogeneous materials. LODs for both XRF- and ICP-based methods have not significantly changed over recent years. As such, achievable limits of quantification for real-world children's product samples have remained unchanged since passage of the CPSIA. Therefore, staff recommend that the current lead limit for children's products remain at 100 ppm and the current lead limit for paints remain at 0.009 percent.

Based on CPSC staff's assessment, the Commission determines that current regulations already require the lowest amount of lead that is technologically feasible to achieve. Therefore, the Commission is not revising these lead limits at this time.

Alberta E. Mills,

Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.

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¹ www.cpsc.gov/Business-Manufacturing/Testing-Certification/Lab-Accreditation/Test-Methods.

CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

National Roundtable on Childhood Drowning Prevention; Notice of Public Meeting and Request for Comment

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting and request for comment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (Commission or CPSC) announces a public roundtable to discuss strategies for reducing childhood drowning associated with consumer products. The roundtable is intended to assist the Commission in evaluating existing approaches to childhood drowning prevention and identifying opportunities to strengthen future Commission actions, including public education, consumer product safety initiatives, standards development, research, stakeholder engagement, and other efforts intended to reduce childhood drowning. The roundtable will consist of invited participants representing a range of relevant disciplines and stakeholder perspectives. The Commission also invites interested persons and entities to submit written comments on the topics identified in this notice. Information received through the roundtable and public comments will assist the Commission in evaluating future priorities for reducing childhood drowning associated with consumer products.

DATES: The roundtable will be held on June 30, 2026, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT). Written comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. EDT on June 29, 2026.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in person at CPSC's headquarters and available online via webinar. For invitees attending in person, the meeting will be held at CPSC's headquarters, located at 4330 East-West Highway, 4th Floor—Hearing Room, Bethesda, MD 20814. Individuals from the public who plan to attend the meeting remotely should use the following link to access the meeting: <https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/affdfd61-f235-4c46-ad92-0b178670ff13@7f5de26c-a63d-475c-9b6c-4126a914e132>. The Commission will accept written comments as well. These must be received by the Office of the Secretary at cpsc-os@cpsc.gov no later than 5:00 p.m. EDT on June 29, 2026. Written comments should be sent by email to cpsc-os@cpsc.gov with the subject line, "National Roundtable on Childhood Drowning Prevention."

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have any questions about the roundtable, you may contact Noah Vehafic, Office of the Acting Chairman, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814, telephone (301) 504-6795.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Drowning remains the leading cause of death for children ages one through four in the United States. Each year, hundreds of children die in pool- and spa-related drowning incidents, and thousands more receive emergency department treatment following submersion incidents.

The Virginia Graeme Baker Pool and Spa Safety Act (VGBA), Public Law 110-140, title XIV, directs the Commission to undertake education, enforcement, and other activities intended to reduce childhood drowning and entrapment associated with pools and spas. Since enactment of the VGBA, the Commission has conducted its Pool Safely public education campaign and has undertaken numerous regulatory, compliance, and enforcement activities related to drowning prevention.

The Commission continues to evaluate its drowning prevention activities in light of current drowning data, emerging product hazards, technological developments, and evolving safety practices. Recent Commission actions have included the recall of approximately five million above-ground pools following multiple child drowning deaths, action on a petition concerning child-resistant pool ladders, mandatory safety requirements for children's neck floats, soliciting grant applications to support drowning prevention efforts, and other initiatives intended to reduce drowning risks associated with consumer products.

The Commission is convening this roundtable to obtain the views of experts and experienced stakeholders in search of the best evidence-based approaches to reducing childhood drowning and to inform future Commission activities.

II. Purpose of the Roundtable

The purpose of the roundtable is to facilitate discussion regarding current childhood drowning prevention strategies and to identify opportunities for improving the Commission's efforts to reduce drowning associated with consumer products.

Topics for discussion may include, but are not limited to:

- current trends in childhood drowning and submersion injuries;

- product-related drowning hazards;
- engineering controls and product innovation;
- voluntary standards and regulatory approaches;
- public education and risk communication;
- behavioral research and injury prevention;
- methods for evaluating the effectiveness of drowning prevention initiatives; and
- priorities for future Commission activities.

III. Roundtable Format

The roundtable will consist of invited participants representing a broad cross-section of organizations and disciplines involved in childhood drowning prevention. Participants are expected to include representatives from academia, medicine, engineering, standards organizations, consumer advocacy organizations, industry, state and local government, and other subject matter experts.

The roundtable will be open to the public and available for viewing by webcast. Information regarding attendance and webcast access will be posted on the Commission's website before the meeting.

IV. Request for Comment

The Commission invites interested persons and entities to submit written comments addressing any of the topics identified in this notice or other issues relevant to childhood drowning prevention associated with consumer products.

The Commission is particularly interested in comments addressing:

- interventions that have demonstrated measurable effectiveness in reducing childhood drowning;
- opportunities to improve public education and consumer outreach;
- engineering controls, product design improvements, and emerging technologies;
- methods for evaluating the effectiveness of drowning prevention initiatives; and
- recommendations regarding future Commission priorities.

All timely comments received will be considered by the Commission in connection with the roundtable and the Commission's continuing evaluation of its childhood drowning prevention activities.

Alberta E. Mills,

Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

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Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of the Air Force, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: 30-Day information collection notice.

SUMMARY: The DoD has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by July 24, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: Emergency Mass Notification System (EMNS); OMB Control Number 0701-0162.

Type of Request: Reinstatement.
Number of Respondents: 1,000,000.
Responses per Respondent: 1.
Annual Responses: 1,000,000.
Average Burden Per Response: 1 minute.

Annual Burden Hours: 16,667.

Needs and Uses: The Air Force Life Cycle Management Center Command, Control, Communications, Intelligence, and Networks Directorate provides standardized enterprise capabilities across the entire AF in accordance with AF Instruction 10-206, Operational Reporting, as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 7902—Safety Programs and 10 U.S.C. 9013—Secretary of the Air Force. This effort will implement and sustain a cloud based, enterprise-wide AF solution for the Emergency Mass Notification System (EMNS). The AF requires a single notification system to send alert notifications to assigned military personnel, family members, and contractors quickly and effectively in an emergent event. The EMNS will increase the situational awareness for Airmen families and contractors,