NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 23 August 2022, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the United States of America.

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**Title:** Safety Standard for Sling Carriers

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| **Reason for Addendum:** |
| [X] | Comment period changed - date: 19 September 2022 |
| [ ] | Notified measure adopted - date:  |
| [X] | Notified measure published - date: 19 August 2022 |
| [X] | Notified measure enters into force - date: 19 November 2022 |
| [X] | Text of final measure available from[[1]](#footnote-1): <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2022-08-19/html/2022-17707.htm><https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2022-08-19/pdf/2022-17707.pdf><https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2022/TBT/USA/final_measure/22_5732_00_e.pdf> |
| [ ] | Notified measure withdrawn or revoked - date: Relevant symbol if measure re-notified:  |
| [ ] | Content or scope of notified measure changed and text available from1: New deadline for comments (if applicable):  |
| [ ] | Interpretive guidance issued and text available from1:  |
| [ ] | Other:  |

**Description:** TITLE: Safety Standard for Sling Carriers

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission

ACTION: Direct final rule

SUMMARY: In January 2017, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) published a consumer product safety standard for sling carriers under section 104 of the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (CPSIA). The standard incorporated by reference the 2015 ASTM voluntary standard for sling carriers that was in effect at the time and supplemented it with an additional requirement for warning label attachment. 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, the Commission issued a direct final rule in April 2020, that revised the incorporation by reference for the mandatory standard for sling carriers to reflect ASTM's revised 2019 voluntary standard, while retaining the additional requirement for warning label attachment. In November 2021, ASTM approved a revision to the voluntary standard for sling carriers, ASTM F2907-21. However, ASTM delayed notification to the CPSC until a revised version of the standard was published in April 2022, , [ASTM F2907-22](https://www.astm.org/f2907-22.html). On 3 June 2022, through publication in the Federal Register, the Commission provided notice of the availability of the revised standard and sought comments on the effect of the revisions on the safety of the standard for sling carriers. No comments were received. Consistent with the CPSIA's update process, this direct final rule again updates the mandatory standard for sling carriers to incorporate by reference ASTM's 2022 version of the voluntary standard, while retaining the additional requirement for warning label attachment.

DATES: The rule is effective on 19 November 2022, unless CPSC receives a significant adverse comment by 19 September 2022. If CPSC receives such a comment, it will publish a notice 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 19 November 2022.

This direct final rule and previous actions notified under the symbol [G/TBT/N/USA/915](https://eping.wto.org/en/Search?domainIds=1&documentSymbol=usa%2F915) is identified by Docket Number CPSC-2014-0018. The Docket Folder is available from Regulations.gov at <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/CPSC-2014-0018/document> and provides access to primary and supporting documents as well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from [Regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov/) by searching the Docket Number. WTO Members and their stakeholders are asked to submit comments to the USA TBT Enquiry Point by or before [4pm](http://time-time.net/times/time-zones/usa-canada/current-eastern-time-est.php) [Eastern Time](https://24timezones.com/time-zone/et) on 17 September 2022. Comments received by the USA TBT Enquiry Point from WTO Members and their stakeholders will be shared with the regulator and will also be submitted to the [Docket](https://www.regulations.gov/docket/CPSC-2014-0018/document) on Regulations.gov if received within the comment period.

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1. This information can be provided by including a website address, a pdf attachment, or other information on where the text of the final/modified measure and/or interpretive guidance can be obtained. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)