CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

16 CFR Part 1500

Portable Bed Rails: Withdrawal of Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Withdrawal of advance notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (“Commission,” “CPS,” or “we”) is terminating a rulemaking proceeding that could result in a rule banning portable bed rails that present an unreasonable risk of injury under the FHSA. After publication of the ANPR, we worked with the voluntary standards group, ASTM International (formerly known as the American Society for Testing and Materials), which added provisions in its standard for portable bed rails, ASTM F 2085, Standard Consumer Safety Specification for Portable Bed Rails, to address entrapment hazards. ASTM subsequently revised its standard to also address the structural integrity of bed rails. The current edition of the standard is ASTM F 2085–10a.

The Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (“CPSIA”, Pub. L. 110–314) was enacted on August 14, 2008. Section 104(b) of the CPSIA requires the Commission to promulgate consumer product safety standards for portable bed rails that would incorporate by reference voluntary standard ASTM F 2085–10a, Standard Consumer Safety Specification for Portable Bed Rails, with certain modifications to strengthen the standard, making it more stringent and reducing the risk of injury associated with these products, including provisions that address foam and inflatable bed rails, and new performance requirements to reduce the likelihood of misassembly and misinstallation of portable bed rails by consumers.

B. Withdrawal of the ANPR

The rulemaking that the Commission is now initiating under section 104(b) of the CPSIA proposes to establish new requirements for portable bed rails that will include the ASTM F 2085–10a, Standard Consumer Safety Specification for Portable Bed Rails, with modifications. Accordingly, we are withdrawing the October 3, 2000 ANPR and terminating that rulemaking.

Dated: April 6, 2011.

Todd S. Stevenson,
Secretary, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

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Special Local Regulations for Marine Events; Patapsco River, Northwest Harbor, Baltimore, MD

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard proposes to establish special local regulations during the “Baltimore Dragon Boat Challenge,” a marine event to be held on the waters of the Patapsco River, Northwest Harbor, Baltimore, MD on June 25, 2011. These special local regulations are necessary to provide for the safety of life on navigable waters during the event. This action is intended to temporarily restrict vessel traffic in a portion of the Patapsco River during the event.

DATES: Comments and related material must be received by the Coast Guard on or before June 6, 2011.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by docket number USCG–2011–0182 using any one of the following methods:


(2) Fax: 202–493–2251.


(4) Hand delivery: Same as mail address above, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is 202–366–3939.

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