

Attention Requirements Bulletin 737–25–1855 RB, Revision 1, dated April 13, 2022.

Note 4 to paragraph (h): Guidance for accomplishing the actions required by paragraph (h) of this AD can be found in Boeing Special Attention Service Bulletin 737–25–1866, Revision 2, dated July 19, 2024, which is referred to in Boeing Special Attention Requirements Bulletin 737–25–1866 RB, Revision 2, dated July 19, 2024.

(i) Exceptions to Requirements Bulletin Specifications

(1) For paragraph (g) of this AD: Where the Compliance Time columns of the tables in the “Compliance” paragraph of Boeing Special Attention Requirements Bulletin 737–25–1855 RB, Revision 1, dated April 13, 2022, use the phrase “the Original Issue date of Requirements Bulletin 737–25–1855 RB,” this AD requires using June 29, 2023 (the effective date of AD 2023–09–04).

(2) For paragraph (g) of this AD: Where the Compliance Time columns of the tables in the “Compliance” paragraph of Boeing Special Attention Requirements Bulletin 737–25–1866 RB, Revision 1, dated April 11, 2022, use the phrase “the Original Issue date of Requirements Bulletin 737–25–1866 RB,” this AD requires using June 29, 2023 (the effective date of AD 2023–09–04).

(3) For paragraph (h) of this AD: Where the Compliance Time columns of the tables in the “Compliance” paragraph of Boeing Special Attention Requirements Bulletin 737–25–1855 RB, Revision 1, dated April 13, 2022, use the phrase “the Original Issue date of Requirements Bulletin 737–25–1855 RB,” this AD requires using the effective date of this AD.

(4) For paragraph (h) of this AD: Where the Compliance Time columns of the tables in the “Compliance” paragraph of Boeing Special Attention Requirements Bulletin 737–25–1866 RB, Revision 2, dated July 19, 2024, use the phrase “the Original Issue date of Requirements Bulletin 737–25–1866 RB,” this AD requires using the effective date of this AD.

(5) Where Boeing Special Attention Requirements Bulletin 737–25–1855 RB, Revision 1, dated April 13, 2022; Boeing Special Attention Requirements Bulletin 737–25–1866 RB, Revision 1, dated April 11, 2022; and Boeing Special Attention Requirements Bulletin 737–25–1866 RB, Revision 2, dated July 19, 2024, specify doing an inspection of the escape slide assembly to determine whether P/N 5A3307–7 is installed, for this AD a review of airplane maintenance records is acceptable in lieu of this inspection, provided the part number of the escape slide assembly can be conclusively determined from that review.

(j) Credit for Previous Actions

(1) This paragraph provides credit for the actions specified in paragraph (g) of this AD, if those actions were performed before June 29, 2023 (the effective date of AD 2023–09–04) using Boeing Special Attention Requirements Bulletin 737–25–1855 RB, dated August 31, 2021, or Boeing Special Attention Requirements Bulletin 737–25–1866 RB, dated September 27, 2021, as applicable.

(2) This paragraph provides credit for the actions specified in paragraph (h) of this AD, if those actions were performed before the effective date of this AD using Boeing Special Attention Requirements Bulletin 737–25–1855 RB, dated August 31, 2021; Boeing Special Attention Requirements Bulletin 737–25–1866 RB, dated September 27, 2021; or Boeing Special Attention Requirements Bulletin 737–25–1866 RB, Revision 1, dated April 11, 2022; as applicable.

(k) Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)

(1) The Manager, AIR–520, Continued Operational Safety Branch, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19. In accordance with 14 CFR 39.19, send your request to your principal inspector or responsible Flight Standards Office, as appropriate. If sending information directly to the manager of the certification office, send it to the attention of the person identified in paragraph (l)(1) of this AD. Information may be emailed to: AMOC@faa.gov.

(2) Before using any approved AMOC, notify your appropriate principal inspector, or lacking a principal inspector, the manager of the responsible Flight Standards Office.

(3) An AMOC that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used for any repair, modification, or alteration required by this AD if it is approved by The Boeing Company Organization Designation Authorization (ODA) that has been authorized by the Manager, AIR–520, Continued Operational Safety Branch, FAA, to make those findings. To be approved, the repair method, modification deviation, or alteration deviation must meet the certification basis of the airplane, and the approval must specifically refer to this AD.

(4) AMOCs approved for AD 2023–09–04 are approved as AMOCs for the corresponding provisions of paragraph (g) of this AD.

(l) Related Information

(1) For more information about this AD, contact Katherine Venegas, Aviation Safety Engineer, FAA, 3960 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, CA 90712; phone: 562–627–5353; email: katherine.venegas@faa.gov.

(2) Material identified in this AD that is not incorporated by reference is available at the address specified in paragraph (m)(5) this AD.

(m) Material Incorporated by Reference

(1) The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference (IBR) of the material listed in this paragraph under 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51.

(2) You must use this material as applicable to do the actions required by this AD, unless the AD specifies otherwise.

(3) The following material was approved for IBR on [DATE 35 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION OF THE FINAL RULE].

(i) Boeing Special Attention Requirements Bulletin 737–25–1866 RB, Revision 2, dated July 19, 2024.

(ii) [Reserved]

(4) The following material was approved for IBR on June 29, 2023 (88 FR 33817, May 25, 2023).

(i) Boeing Special Attention Requirements Bulletin 737–25–1855 RB, Revision 1, dated April 13, 2022.

(ii) Boeing Special Attention Requirements Bulletin 737–25–1866 RB, Revision 1, dated April 11, 2022.

(5) For the material identified in this AD, contact Boeing Commercial Airplanes, Attention: Contractual & Data Services (C&DS), 2600 Westminister Blvd., MC 110–SK57, Seal Beach, CA 90740–5600; telephone 562–797–1717; website myboeingfleet.com.

(6) You may view this material at the FAA, Airworthiness Products Section, Operational Safety Branch, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 206–231–3195.

(7) You may view this material at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, visit www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations or email fr.inspection@nara.gov.

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Victor Wicklund,

Deputy Director, Integrated Certificate Management Division, Aircraft Certification Service.

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

16 CFR Chapter II

[Docket No. CPSC–2025–0006]

Petition Requesting a Mandatory Regulation for Child-Resistant Above-Ground and Portable Pool Ladders

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Request for comment on petition.

SUMMARY: The Consumer Product Safety Commission (Commission or CPSC) has received a petition requesting that the Commission establish a regulation for child-resistant above-ground and portable pool ladders to reduce the drowning deaths of children younger than 5 years of age, and particularly children between 1 and 3 years. The Commission invites written comments concerning the petition.

DATES: Submit comments by June 9, 2025.

ADDRESSES: You can submit comments, identified by Docket No. CPSC–2025–0006, by any of the following methods:

Electronic Submissions: Submit electronic comments to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at:

www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments. Do not submit through this website: confidential business information, trade secret information, or other sensitive or protected information that you do not want to be available to the public. CPSC typically does not accept comments submitted by email, except as described below.

Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier/Confidential Written Submissions: CPSC encourages you to submit electronic comments by using the Federal eRulemaking Portal. You may, however, submit comments by mail, hand delivery, or courier to: Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814; telephone: (301) 504-7479. If you wish to submit confidential business information, trade secret information, or other sensitive or protected information that you do not want available to the public, you may submit such comments by mail, hand delivery, courier, or you may email them to: cpsc-os@cpsc.gov.

Instructions: All submissions must include the agency name and docket number. CPSC may post all comments without change, including any personal identifiers, contact information, or other personal information provided, to: www.regulations.gov. Do not submit to this website: confidential business information, trade secret information, or other sensitive or protected information that you do not want to be available to the public. If you wish to submit such information, please submit it according to the instructions for mail/hand delivery/courier/confidential written submissions.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to: www.regulations.gov, and insert the docket number, CPSC-2025-0006, into the "Search" box, and follow the prompts.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Alberta E. Mills, Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814; telephone: 301-504-7479; email: cpsc-os@cpsc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On January 22, 2025, Carol Pollack-Nelson, Ph.D., of Independent Safety Consulting, LLC (Petitioner), submitted a petition requesting that the Commission establish a mandatory regulation for child-resistant above-ground and portable pool ladders to

reduce the drowning deaths of children younger than 5 years of age, and particularly children between 1 and 3 years, the age group asserted to be at greatest risk.

The Petitioner notes that two voluntary standards are relevant to this petition: (1) ASTM Standard Specification for Aboveground Portable Pools for Residential Use, ASTM F2666-16; and (2) ANSI/APSP/ICC-4 2012 American National Standard for Aboveground/Onground Residential Pools. ASTM F2666-16 covers all types of portable pools with a water depth of less than 36 inches (91 cm). ANSI/APSP-4 pertains to aboveground/onground residential swimming pools with a water depth of 36 inches (91 cm) or greater.

The Petitioner asserts that since 2016, the ASTM voluntary standard for portable pools, ASTM F2666-16, Safety Specification for Aboveground Portable Pools for Residential Use,¹ has included a "general requirement" for child resistance on pool ladders. The requirement in section 5.1 of ASTM F2666-16 states, "Any ladders sold with or for use with Type A² or Type B³ pools shall meet all the applicable requirements found in ANSI/APSP-4 and be child resistant to the degree of preventing unauthorized access for children under the age of five years." ANSI/APSP-4, American National Standard for Aboveground/Onground Residential Swimming Pools, contains requirements for ladder warnings and performance standards.⁴ However, the Petitioner states that there is no protocol or metric required to verify that a ladder is child-resistant. Rather, section 5.1 of the voluntary standard states: "Verification can be satisfied by document review." The Petitioner also asserts that above-ground pools (having a side height measuring at least 36 inches) are much more likely to be

¹ ASTM F2666-16 defines a "portable pool" as "any movable structure with the intended purpose of being used for swimming or other water recreation by consumers, and having a water depth (at the fill line) less than 36 in. (91 cm)." F2666-16, sec. 3.1.6. A copy of ASTM F2666-16 may be purchased from ASTM through its website, www.astm.org.

² Section 4.1.1 of the standard defines Type A pools as "Pools with no means of water circulation or water treatment during or after use. Such pools include but are not limited to wading pools, splash pools, and kiddie pools."

³ Section 4.1.2 of the standard defines Type B pools as "Pools that are provided with a means or connection provisions to add equipment for circulation and filtration of water."

⁴ A copy of ANSI/APSP-4 may be purchased from ANSI through its website, webstore.ansi.org.

involved in child drownings than portable pools.

The Petitioner asserts, based on a review and analysis of CPSC In-Depth Investigations and CPSC data regarding nonfatal drowning injuries and deaths related to pools, that child-resistant ladders are necessary to mitigate the risk of drowning from children's access to above-ground and portable pools. Therefore, the Petitioner requests that CPSC develop a regulation that will require child-resistance for all pool ladders sold with, or for, above-ground or portable pools to mitigate the risk of drowning. Specifically, the Petitioner requests the Commission promulgate a mandatory regulation to establish: (1) a child-resistance requirement for A-frame and other ladders intended for above-ground and portable pools; and (2) an objective and measurable definition of "child-resistant."

The Commission seeks comment from the public concerning this petition as well as any studies or data pertaining to child-resistance for ladders intended to be used with above-ground and portable pools.⁵ To the extent possible, commenters should provide specific information, including reference to known documentation, engineering studies, technical studies, reports of injuries, medical findings, legal analyses, economic analyses, and environmental impact analyses.

The major factors the Commission considers in deciding whether to grant or deny a petition regarding a product include:

(1) Whether the product presents an unreasonable risk of injury.

(2) Whether a rule is reasonably necessary to eliminate or reduce the risk of injury.

(3) Whether failure to initiate the requested rulemaking proceeding would unreasonably expose the petitioner or other consumers to the risk of injury which the petitioner alleges is presented by the product.

16 CFR 1051.9(a).

In considering these factors, the Commission will consider the relative priority of the risk of injury associated with the product at issue and the Commission's available resources. 16 CFR 1051.9(b). The CPSC Policy on Establishing Priorities for Commission Action, 16 CFR 1009.8, sets forth the criteria upon which Commission priorities are based.

⁵ The Commission voted 5-0 to approve publication of this notice.

The petition is available at: <http://www.regulations.gov>, under Docket No. CPSC–2025–0006, Supporting and Related Materials. Alternatively, interested parties may obtain a copy of

the petition by writing or calling the Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814;

telephone (301) 504–7479; email: cpsc-os@cpsc.gov.

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