



Standard Consumer Safety Specification for Non-Full-Size Baby Cribs/Play Yards¹

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INTRODUCTION

This consumer safety specification addresses incidents associated with non-full-size cribs/play yards that were identified by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC).

Incidents identified by the CPSC and addressed in this standard include asphyxiation due to entrapment in drop side units left with a side down, strangulation by entanglement on protruding hardware, strangulation by button entrapment in mesh openings, strangulation due to failure of the center hinge on a top rail, collapse or failure of the locking devices, collapse of the floor or sides, and choking on vinyl bitten from the top rail. This standard also addresses wooden non-full-size crib injuries or deaths due to dislodgment of slats resulting from breakage or failure of glue joints, collapse of mattress support, detachment of screws, dislodgment of teething rails, and entanglement on cords or strings.

This standard is not intended to cover non-full-size cribs/play yards that are either blatantly misused or abused. This standard is written within current state-of-the-art of non-full-size crib/play yard technology and is intended to be updated if substantive information becomes available that necessitates additional requirements or justifies revision of existing requirements.

1. Scope

1.1 This consumer safety specification establishes testing requirements for structural integrity and performance requirements for non-full-size cribs/play yards, both rigid sided and mesh/fabric assemblies. It also provides requirements for labeling and instructional material. The term unit or product will refer to a non-full-size crib/play yard.

1.2 This specification covers products intended to provide sleeping and playing accommodations for a child (excluding bassinets, cradles, and baskets) that have an interior length dimension smaller than 49³/₄ in. (1263 mm) or an interior width dimension smaller than 25³/₈ in. (643 mm), or both. Such products are intended for a child who is less than 35 in. (890 mm) in height.

1.3 No product produced after the approval date of this consumer safety specification shall, either by label or other means, indicate compliance with this specification unless it conforms to all applicable requirements contained herein, before and after all testing.

1.4 The values stated in inch-pound units are to be regarded as the standard. The SI units given in parentheses are for information only.

1.5 The following safety hazards caveat pertains only to the test method portion, Section 8, of this specification: *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

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