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Standard Consumer Safety Performance Specification for Hand-Held Infant Carriers¹

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INTRODUCTION

This consumer safety performance specification is intended to mitigate potential safety hazards associated with a child's use of a hand-held infant carrier and thereby minimize the risk of injury or death. The specific hazards addressed by this standard are carrier handle strength to support the occupant, product tip over, and falls from elevated surfaces.

1. Scope

1.1 This consumer safety performance specification establishes performance requirements, test methods, and marking requirements to promote safe use of a hand-held infant carrier by an occupant and caregiver.

1.2 This consumer safety performance specification is intended to minimize the risk of incidents to an occupant resulting from normal use and reasonably foreseeable misuse or abuse of a hand-held infant carrier.

1.3 No hand-held infant carrier produced after the approval date of this consumer safety performance specification, either by label or other means, shall indicate compliance with this specification, unless it conforms to all requirements contained herein.

1.4 This consumer safety performance specification is not intended to address accidents and injuries resulting from the interaction of other persons with the child occupant in a hand-held infant carrier or the accidents resulting from abuse and misuse by children able to walk.

1.5 This consumer safety specification is not intended to address incidents or injuries resulting from use of the product in a motor vehicle, nor is it intended to address any issues that may arise from the manufacturer meeting the certification requirements of FMVSS-213 or other applicable add-on child restraint standards.

1.6 The following precautionary caveat pertains only to the test method portion, Section 7, of this consumer safety performance 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.*

1.7 The test values in inch-pound units stated in this standard consumer safety specification are to be regarded as the standard. The metric values in parentheses are given for information only.

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