

(d) *Notice.* The Authority must provide advance notice to Commission staff of all significant Authority-planned events (e.g., press conferences, media events, summits, etc.) via a calendar, a list, email, or some other reasonable means. The Authority must also summarize key aspects of all such events on its website within a reasonable timeframe. The Authority must also give Commission staff prompt notice after it has been alerted to significant, adverse events in the horseracing industry (e.g., adverse safety or medical events that might reasonably lead to sanctions, track closures, etc.).

§ 1.155 Other best practices.

(a) *Regular monitoring meetings.* The Commission recommends that the Authority hold regular meetings with Commission staff to discuss upcoming or potential risks, challenges, and opportunities for improvement.

(b) *Records and information management.* The Commission recommends that the Authority maintain records and information in sufficient detail to support the Authority's programs and operations, as well as any records relating to its information management policies or procedures. The Commission expects that the Authority will make any of these records available to Commission staff upon request, to allow the Commission to carry out its statutorily mandated oversight.

(c) *Treatment of confidential information.* The Commission recommends that the Authority's submissions to the Commission not include any SHI, PII, or SPII, such as a Social Security number; date of birth; driver's license number or other state identification number, or foreign country equivalent; passport number; financial account number; or credit or debit card number. If the Authority submits documents to the Commission containing confidential commercial or financial information, it should so designate that material and request confidential treatment pursuant to § 4.10(g).

(d) *Standing data requests.* The Commission recommends that the Authority submit Board of Directors minutes to the Commission's Office of the Secretary within 15 days following each Board meeting.

(e) *Personnel and compensation.* The Commission recommends that the Authority develop compensation policies and practices with the primary objective of attracting, developing, and retaining high-performing individuals capable of achieving the Authority's mission. The Authority should strive to

recruit a diverse team of industry leaders whose unique backgrounds, education, cultures, and perspectives help position the Authority as an effective and innovative self-regulatory organization. The Commission also recommends that the Authority conduct periodic salary benchmarks to ensure that employee compensation is in line with other like organizations.

(f) *Customer service.* The Commission recommends that the Authority maintain publicly accessible points of contact (e.g., email addresses, phone numbers) and monitor the timeliness with which it responds to inquiries. In this regard, the Commission urges the Authority to develop a policy and associated metrics covering its customer service activities, to be incorporated into its strategic plan and its regular reporting to the Commission.

(g) *Travel.* The Commission recommends that the Authority use standard, GSA-established, published per diem rates when determining how much a person may spend on lodging, meals, and incidental expenses. Nevertheless, actual subsistence expenses may be authorized under unusual circumstances with justification and prior approval from the appropriate approving official. The Commission urges the Authority to prohibit the use of first-class travel (defined as the highest and most expensive class of service) by employees, except when no other option is available or when a disability or exceptional security conditions require it. The Commission also recommends that the Authority not reimburse its contractors for first-class travel unless exceptional circumstances warrant.

§ 1.156 Severability.

The provisions of this Subpart are separate and severable from one another. If any provision is stayed or determined to be invalid, it is the Commission's intention that the remaining provisions shall continue in effect.

By direction of the Commission,

Joel Christie,

Acting Secretary.

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

16 CFR Part 1264

[Docket No. CPSC-2011-0074]

Safety Standard Addressing Blade-Contact Injuries on Table Saws; Notice of Opportunity for Oral Presentations

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking; opportunity for oral presentations.

SUMMARY: The Consumer Product Safety Commission (Commission or CPSC) will be providing an opportunity for interested parties to make oral presentations on the supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking (SNPR) the Commission issued regarding a safety standard addressing blade-contact injuries on table saws. Presentations will be part of the rulemaking record.

DATES: A hybrid hearing will be held in person at CPSC's headquarters and remotely via webinar and will begin at 10 a.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST) on February 28, 2024.

ADDRESSES: This hearing will be held as a hybrid hearing—in person at CPSC's headquarters and remotely via webinar. For individuals attending in person, the meeting will be held at CPSC's headquarters, located at 4330 East West Highway, 4th Floor—Hearing Room, Bethesda, MD 20814. Individuals who plan to attend the meeting remotely should pre-register for the webinar at <https://cpsc.webex.com/cpsc/j.php?MTID=mdfe71b8646e635c40558465d1e662089>. Attendance is free of charge. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

In person attendees do not need to register for the hearing. Requests to make oral presentations (in person or remotely) and the text of oral presentations and written comments should be sent by email to: cpsc-os@cpsc.gov, with the subject line, "Table Saws SNPR; Oral Presentation."

Requests to make oral presentations—in person or remotely—and the written text of any oral presentations must be received by the Office of the Secretary not later than 5 p.m. EST on February 21, 2024. The Commission will accept written comments as well. These also must be received by the Office of the Secretary not later than 5 p.m. EST on February 21, 2024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information about the subject matter of this hearing, contact Caroleene Paul,

Director, Mechanical Engineering Division, Consumer Product Safety Commission, 5 Research Place, Rockville, MD 20850; email: cpaul@cpsc.gov. For information about the procedure to make an oral presentation, contact Alberta E. Mills, Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814; cpsc-os@cpsc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background ¹

On November 1, 2023, the Commission published an SNPR in the **Federal Register**, proposing to issue a safety standard addressing blade-contact injuries on table saws under the Consumer Product Safety Act (CPSA; 15 U.S.C. 2051–2089), and seeking written comments. 88 FR 74909. To address the risk of blade-contact injuries on table saws, the Commission proposes a rule that would establish a performance standard that requires table saws to limit the depth of cut to no more than 3.5 millimeters when a test probe, acting as surrogate for a human finger or other body part, approaches the spinning blade at a rate of 1 meter per second (m/s). The SNPR is available at: 88 FR 74909—Safety Standard Addressing Blade-Contact Injuries on Table Saws—Content Details—2023–23898 ([govinfo.gov](https://www.govinfo.gov)), and CPSC staff's briefing package for the SNPR is available at: https://www.cpsc.gov/s3fs-public/Federal-Register-Notice-Safety-Standard-Addressing-Blade-Contact-Injuries-on-Table-Saws-SNPR.pdf?VersionId=Ce3FOVBmbG0_8j.gd1h0k3VWHZZ.URw.

II. The Public Hearing

The Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. 551–562) and section 9 of the CPSA require the Commission to provide interested parties with an opportunity to submit “written data, views, or arguments” regarding a proposed rule. 5 U.S.C. 553(c); 15 U.S.C. 2058(d)(2). The SNPR invited such written comments. In addition, section 9 of the CPSA requires the Commission to provide interested parties “an opportunity for oral presentation of data, views, or arguments.” 15 U.S.C. 2058(d)(2). The Commission must keep a transcript of such oral presentations. *Id.* In accordance with this requirement, the Commission is providing a forum for oral presentations concerning the proposed standard.

To request the opportunity to make an oral presentation, see the information under the **DATES** and **ADDRESSES** sections

of this notice. Participants should limit their presentations to approximately 10 minutes, excluding time for questioning by the Commissioners or CPSC staff. To avoid duplicate presentations, groups should designate a spokesperson, and the Commission reserves the right to limit presentation times or impose further restrictions, as necessary.

Alberta E. Mills,

Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

16 CFR Part 1408

[Docket No. CPSC–2019–0020]

Safety Standard for Residential Gas Furnaces and Boilers; Notice of Opportunity for Oral Presentations

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking; opportunity for oral presentation.

SUMMARY: The Consumer Product Safety Commission (Commission or CPSC) will be providing an opportunity for interested parties to make oral presentations on the notice of proposed rulemaking (NPR) the Commission issued regarding a safety standard for residential gas furnaces and boilers. Presentations will be part of the rulemaking record.

DATES: A hybrid hearing will be held in person at CPSC's headquarters and remotely via webinar and will begin at 10 a.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST) on February 21, 2024.

ADDRESSES: This hearing will be held as a hybrid hearing—in person at CPSC's headquarters and remotely via webinar. For individuals attending in person, the meeting will be held at CPSC's headquarters, located at 4330 East West Highway, 4th Floor—Hearing Room, Bethesda, MD 20814. Individuals who plan to attend the meeting remotely should pre-register for the webinar at [cpsc.webex.com/cpsc/j.php?MTID=m950b2d5a6084894ff5d11b07f635114b](https://www.cpsc.gov/webex/cpsc/j.php?MTID=m950b2d5a6084894ff5d11b07f635114b). Attendance is free of charge. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. In person attendees do not need to register for the hearing. Requests to make oral presentations (in person or remotely) and the text of oral presentations and written comments should be sent by email to: cpsc-os@

cpsc.gov, with the subject line, “Residential Gas Furnaces and Boilers NPR; Oral Presentation.” Requests to make oral presentations—in person or remotely—and the written text of any oral presentations must be received by the Office of the Secretary no later than 5 p.m. EST on February 14, 2024. The Commission will accept written comments as well. These also must be received by the Office of the Secretary no later than 5 p.m. EST on February 14, 2024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information about the subject matter of this hearing, contact Ronald A. Jordan, Mechanical Engineering, Consumer Product Safety Commission, 5 Research Place, Rockville, MD 20850; telephone: 301–987–2219; email: rjordan@cpsc.gov. For information about the procedure to make an oral presentation, contact Alberta E. Mills, Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814; telephone: 301–504–7479; cpsc-os@cpsc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background ¹

On October 25, 2023, the Commission published an NPR in the **Federal Register**, proposing to issue a safety standard for residential gas furnaces and boilers under the Consumer Product Safety Act (CPSA; 15 U.S.C. 2051–2089), and seeking written comments. 88 FR 73272. The proposed rule seeks to address the risk of injuries and death associated with residential gas fired central furnaces, boilers, wall furnaces, and floor furnaces (gas furnaces and boilers). To address this risk, the Commission has proposed a rule to detect and prevent dangerous levels of carbon monoxide (CO) production and leakage from residential gas furnaces and boilers.

The NPR is available at: <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2023/10/25/2023-23302/safety-standard-for-residential-gas-furnaces-and-boilers>, and CPSC staff's briefing package for the NPR is available at: <https://www.cpsc.gov/s3fs-public/Notice-of-Proposed-Rulemaking-Safety-Standard-for-Residential-Gas-Furnaces-and-Boilers-COMBINED-PDFS.pdf?VersionId=7Bj3c6EeDF78nHorx2mCER94XygwgeQV>.

II. The Public Hearing

The Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. 551–559) and section 9 of the CPSA require the Commission to provide interested parties with an

¹ The Commission voted unanimously to publish this notice.

¹ The Commission voted 4–0 to publish this notice.