

## Safety is the toy industry's No. 1 priority

From initial toy concept to final product for sale at retail, safety is built into every toy during every step of the production process. The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission consistently ranks toys among the safest of 15 consumer product categories found in the home.

U.S. toymakers follow a mandatory set of safety rules and regulations under ASTM F963 – Standard Consumer Safety Specification for Toy Safety, created under ASTM International. Since 1986, it's been considered the gold standard in toy safety and is emulated around the globe. The Toy Association leads the multi-stakeholder committee that continually reviews the standard to ensure that it keeps pace with child development research, medical and toy-related incident data, risk assessment techniques, science, and manufacturing innovations. The standard was last revised in 2016. Under the federal regulatory scheme, all toys sold in the U.S. must comply with more than 100 toy safety regulations tests. These regulations make it illegal to sell toys or children's products containing substances harmful to children and to which they might be exposed.

### Safety Standards

#### CPSC/Government Standards

- Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (CPSIA)
- CPSC Guidance on applicable requirements of ASTM F963-2011
- Code of Federal Regulations; Key Sections of Commercial Practices 16, Part 1000 to End
- Title 15--Commerce and Foreign Trade, Chapter II--National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce, Subchapter H: Marking of Toy, Look-alike and Imitation Firearms, Part 272
- U.S. Consumer Product Safety Rattles
- U.S. Consumer Product Safety Pacifiers
- U.S. Child Safety Protection Act, Small Parts Hazard Warning Rule and Rules for Reporting Choking

#### ASTM/ANSI Standards

- ASTM F963-11 Standard Consumer Safety Specification on Toy Safety
- ASTM F834-84 (2008) Consumer Safety Specification for Toy Chests
- ASTM F1148-09 Standard Consumer Safety Performance Specification for Home Playground Equipment
- ASTM F1313-90 (2011) Standard Specification for Volatile N-Nitrosamine Levels in Rubber
- ANSI Z315.1-2012 American National Tricycles
- ANSI/UL 696, Ninth Edition Standard