

Hong Kong Proposes to Update Safety Standards for Toys and Children's Products

In a paper in December 2023, the Hong Kong Commerce and Economic Development Bureau described the Proposed Updates to Safety Standards for Toys and Children's Products, as listed in Schedules 1 and 2 of the "Toys and Children's Products Safety Ordinance" (Cap. 424).

These intended updates are proposed because many international standards (or standards adopted by major economies) for toys and Schedule 2 products have recently been updated or amended.

Proposed

I. Toy standards

#	Product	Existing Standard	Updated Standard
(a)	Toys - 'Mechanical and physical	ISO 8124-1:2018 (incorporating Amendment	ISO 8124-1:2022
	properties'	1:2020 and Amendment 2:2020)	
(b)	Toys - 'Flammability'	ISO 8124-2:2014	ISO 8124-2:2023
(c)	Toys - 'Migration of certain	ISO 8124-3:2020	ISO 8124-3:2020 (incorporating
	elements'		Amendment 1:2023)
(d)	Toys - 'Olfactory and board games,	BS EN 71-13:2021	BS EN 71-13:2021 + A1:2022
	cosmetic kits and gustative games'		

II. Schedule 2 product standards

#	Product	Existing Standard	Updated Standard
(a)	Baby Walking Frames	ASTM F977-18	ASTM F977-22e1
(b)	Bunk Beds for Domestic Use	ISO 9098-1:1994	ISO 9098-1:2023
(c)	Bunk Beds for Domestic Use	ISO 9098-2:1994	ISO 9098-2:2023
(d)	Child Safety Barriers for Domestic Use	ASTM F1004-21	ASTM F1004-23
(e)	Children's Paints	ISO 8124-3:2020	ISO 8124-3:2020 (incorporating Amendment 1:2023)
(f)	Playpens for Domestic Use	ASTM F406-19	ASTM F406-22
(g)	Wheeled Child Conveyances	BS EN 1888-1:2018	BS EN 1888-1:2018 + A1:2022
(h)	Wheeled Child Conveyances	AS/NZS 2088:2013	AS 2088:2022

Consultation Period

The proposed amendments are now closed to public consultation.

Reference:

https://www.gov.hk/en/theme/bf/pdf/10216_Consultaion_Information_Note_en.pdf

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