

## US CPSC Finalized Rule to Exempt Certain Fibers from Testing



On June 1, 2020, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) issued a final rule to determine that certain unfinished manufactured fibers do not contain heavy metals or specified phthalates that exceed the limits for children's toys and child care articles under the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act (CPSIA).

Based on the final rule, the following six fibers would not be required to have third party testing for compliance with the requirement of the ASTM F963 elements - antimony, arsenic, barium, cadmium, chromium, lead, mercury and selenium:

- Nylon
- Polyurethane (Spandex)
- Viscose Rayon
- Acrylic
- Modacrylic
- Natural rubber latex

Also, the below seven unfinished manufactured fibers are exempted from Phthalates testing requirement:

- Polyester (PET)
- Nylon
- Polyurethane (Spandex)
- Viscose rayon
- Acrylic
- Modacrylic
- Natural rubber latex

The rule is effective on July 1, 2020.

### **Link**

<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2020/06/01/2020-09991/childrens-toys-and-child-care-articles-determinations-regarding-astm-f963-elements-and-phthalates>

***A Rule by the Consumer Product Safety Commission on 06/01/2020***

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