

Small businesses which fail to follow the fast payment clause instructions to mark the invoice "FAST PAY", will have their invoices rejected, which means they would not be paid until they send in a corrected invoice. The clause revisions mean the invoices would not have to be automatically rejected. An Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis has, therefore, not been performed. We invite comments from small businesses and other interested parties. The Councils will consider comments from small entities concerning the affected FAR Part 52 in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 610. Interested parties must submit such comments separately and should cite 5 U.S.C. 601, et seq. (FAR case 2004-031), in correspondence.

C. Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply because the proposed changes to the FAR do not impose information collection requirements that require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501, et seq.

List of Subjects in 48 CFR Part 52

Government procurement.

Dated: July 5, 2005.

Gerald Zaffos,

Deputy Director, Contract Policy Division.

Therefore, DoD, GSA, and NASA propose amending 48 CFR part 52 as set forth below:

PART 52—SOLICITATION PROVISIONS AND CONTRACT CLAUSES

1. The authority citation for 48 CFR part 52 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 40 U.S.C. 121(c); 10 U.S.C. chapter 137; and 42 U.S.C. 2473(c).

2. Amend section 52.213-1 by revising the date of the clause and paragraphs (c)(1)(ii), (c)(3), and (e) to read as follows:

52.213-1 Fast Payment Procedure.

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FAST PAYMENT PROCEDURE (DATE)

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- (c) * * *
(1) * * *

(ii) Display prominently on the invoice "FAST PAY." Invoices not prominently marked "Fast Pay" via manual or electronic means may be accepted by the payment office for fast payment. If the payment office declines to make fast payment, the Contractor shall be paid in accordance with procedures applicable to invoices to which the Fast Payment clause does not apply.

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(3) If this contract, order, or blanket purchase agreement requires the preparation of a receiving report, the Contractor shall either—

- (i) Submit the receiving report on the prescribed form with the invoice; or
(ii) Include the following information on the invoice:

- (A) Shipment number.
(B) Mode of shipment.
(C) At line item level—
(1) National stock number and/or manufacturer's part number;
(2) Unit of measure;
(3) Ship-To Point;
(4) Mark-For Point, if in the contract; and
(5) FEDSTRIP/MILSTRIP document number, if in the contract.

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(e) Fast pay container identification. The Contractor shall mark all outer shipping containers "FAST PAY." When outer shipping containers are not marked "Fast Pay," the payment office may make fast payment. If the payment office declines to make fast payment, the Contractor shall be paid in accordance with procedures applicable to invoices to which the Fast Payment clause does not apply.

(End of clause)

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

49 CFR Part 571

[Docket No. NHTSA-2005-21244]

RIN 2127-AJ59

Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Occupant Crash Protection

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: NHTSA received a letter asking us to extend the comment period for the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) to amend the Federal motor vehicle safety standard (FMVSS) for occupant crash protection. The agency has proposed to amend FMVSS No. 208, Occupant crash protection, by establishing a test procedure applicable to vehicles equipped with a child restraint anchorage system, commonly referred to as a "LATCH" system, in a front passenger seating position and that comply with advanced air bag requirements through the use of a

suppression system. The proposed procedures specify a repeatable, reproducible, and realistic method of attaching child restraints to the LATCH system for the suppression test.

To provide interested persons additional time to prepare comments, we are extending the end of the comment period from July 18, 2005, to August 17, 2005. This 30-day extension will allow vehicle manufacturers the appropriate opportunity to review a technical report cited in the NPRM in support of the agency's proposal, and provide more meaningful comments.

DATES: You should submit comments early enough to ensure that Docket Management receives them not later than August 17, 2005.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- Web Site: http://dms.dot.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments on the DOT electronic docket site.
• Fax: 1-202-493-2251.
• Mail: Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Nassif Building, Room PL-401, Washington, DC 20590-001.
• Hand Delivery: Room PL-401 on the plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

Instructions: All submissions must include the agency name and docket number or Regulatory Identification Number (RIN) for this rulemaking. Note that all comments received will be posted without change to http://dms.dot.gov, including any personal information provided. Please see discussion of the Privacy Act below.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to http://dms.dot.gov at any time or to Room PL-401 on the plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For non-legal issues, you may contact Lou Molino, Office of Crashworthiness Standards, Light Duty Vehicle Division by phone at (202) 366-1740, and by fax at (202) 493-2739.

For legal issues, you may contact Christopher Calamita of the NHTSA Office of Chief Counsel by phone at

(202) 366-2992 and by fax at (202) 366-3820.

You may send mail to both of these officials at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh St., SW., Washington, DC 20590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On May 19, 2005, the agency published in the *Federal Register* a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) to amend Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 208, *Occupant crash protection* (70 FR 28878). We proposed test procedures applicable to vehicles that have a child restraint anchorage system, commonly referred to as a "LATCH" system, in a front passenger seating position and that comply with advanced air bag requirements through the use of a suppression system. Beginning September 1, 2006, these vehicles must suppress the air bag in the presence of a child restraint system that is attached to the vehicle's LATCH system. The procedures proposed in the NPRM specify a repeatable, reproducible, and realistic method of attaching child restraints to the LATCH system for the suppression test.

The proposed procedure was developed by NHTSA to replicate real-world CRS installations in vehicles by experienced installers, particularly with respect to the appropriate load vector to be applied and the amount of load relief when LATCH belts are manually tightened. The procedure was developed using four installers working with three vehicles and four CRSs. The agency prepared a technical report detailing this development. The NPRM was published May 19, 2005, and open for a 60-day comment period. However, public availability of the technical report was delayed until after the comment period had started.

On June 20, 2005, we received a letter from the Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers (Alliance)¹ requesting an extension of the comment period. The Alliance stated that because of the delay it is not able to adequately review the technical report and prepare comments by the close of comment period.

Further, the Alliance stated that some of the illustrations in the technical report were not legible. The Alliance therefore requested a short extension of the comment period.

As stated in the NPRM, the proposed procedure is for child restraint systems to which vehicles must certify under the suppression requirements, beginning

¹ The Alliance is a trade association of nine automobile manufacturers, including BMW Group, DaimlerChrysler, Ford Motor Company, General Motors, Mazda, Mitsubishi Motors, Porsche, Toyota, and Volkswagen.

September 1, 2006. Consequently, we believe the 30-day extension of the comment period will not adversely affect safety. Further, we believe that providing additional time for review of the technical report will result in more helpful comments. We note that the technical report has been resubmitted to the docket with legible illustrations.

Privacy Act: Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all submissions received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment or petition (or signing the comment or petition, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the *Federal Register* published on April 11, 2000 (volume 65, number 70; pages 19477-78), or you may visit <http://dms.dot.gov>.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 322, 30111, 30115, 30117, and 30166; delegation of authority at 49 CFR 1.50.

Issued on July 8, 2005.

Stephen R. Kratzke,

Associate Administrator for Rulemaking.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

49 CFR Part 572

[Docket No. NHTSA-2004-21247]

RIN 2127-AJ49

Anthropomorphic Test Devices; Hybrid III-10 Year Old Child Test Dummy

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: Today's NPRM proposes specifications and qualification requirements for the new test dummy that is representative of a 10-year-old child. NHTSA plans to use the new 10-year-old child test dummy to test child restraints under Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 213 and in other applications. The dummy has the capability to be placed in a slouched posture, which allows the evaluation of vehicle belt systems under real world occupant conditions.

DATES: You should submit your comments early enough to ensure that Docket Management receives them not later than September 12, 2005.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments (identified by the DOT DMS Docket Number) by any of the following methods:

- Web Site: <http://dms.dot.gov>.

Follow the instructions for submitting comments on the DOT electronic docket site.

- Fax: 1-202-493-2251.

- Mail: Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Nassif Building, Room PL-401, Washington, DC 20590-001.

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Instructions: All submissions must include the agency name and docket number or Regulatory Identification Number (RIN) for this rulemaking. For detailed instructions on submitting comments and additional information on the rulemaking process, see the Public Participation heading of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this document. Note that all comments received will be posted without change to <http://dms.dot.gov>, including any personal information provided. Please see the Privacy Act discussion under the Public Participation heading.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to <http://dms.dot.gov> at any time or to Room PL-401 on the plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC, between 9 am and 5 pm, Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For non-legal issues, you may call Stan Backaitis, NHTSA Office of Crashworthiness Standards (telephone 202-366-4912). For legal issues, you may call Chris Calamita, NHTSA Office of Chief Counsel (telephone 202-366-2992). You may send mail to these officials at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh St., SW., Washington, DC 20590.

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