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Preface

This is the fourth edition of IAPMO Z124.5, *Plastic Toilet Seats*. It supersedes the previous editions, published in 2006, 1997, and 1989 under the title *Plastic Toilet (Water Closet) Seats*.

This Standard was developed by the IAPMO Z124 Technical Subcommittee and approved by the IAPMO Plumbing Standards Committee in accordance with the *American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Essential Requirements: Due process requirements for American National Standards* and the *IAPMO Policies and Procedures for Consensus Development of American National Standards*. This Standard was approved as an American National Standard on March 15, 2013.

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1 Scope

1.1

This standard covers plastic toilet seats (including toilet seat covers) and specifies requirements for materials, construction, performance testing, and markings.

1.2

The requirements of this Standard are not intended to prevent the use of alternative materials or method of construction provided such alternatives meet the intent and requirements of this Standard.

1.3

In this Standard,

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1.4

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ASTM International (American Society for Testing and Materials)

ASTM B117

Standard Practice for Operating Salt Spray (fog) Apparatus

CSA/IAPMO (Canadian Standards Association/International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials)

CSA B45.5/IAPMO Z124

Plastic plumbing fixtures