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TPV Evaluation of Plastic, Rubber and Rubber-like Materials

The following guidance shall be used by the CCE when performing TPV evaluations. This guidance is effective immediately upon receipt and shall be used until revoked or included in an up-date of the TPV Manual.

On November 8, 2013, in anticipation of the publication of 3-A Sanitary Standards for General Requirements, ANSI/3-A 00-00, the 3-A SSI Board of Directors approved a motion concerning the acceptance of rubber, rubber-like and plastics materials during TPV evaluations. Now that the General Requirements (GR) standard has been published the following procedures shall be followed for all TPVs performed regardless of whether or not they have been reissued to reference the GR Standard.

- 1. Standards which have not been reissued to reference the GR may use the GR requirements of Section D1.2.4, or if listed in the standard, standards 18- or 20-may be used at the discretion of the fabricator.
- 2. Standards which have been reissued to reference the GR shall use the requirements as presented in the Normative References section of the standard.

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