

SUMMARY OF TOPICS

The following changes in requirements to the Standard for Commercial Electric Cooking Appliances, UL 197, are being proposed:

1. Electronic Media Instruction

2. Countertop Fryers

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For your convenience in review, proposed additions to existing requirements are shown underlined and proposed deletions are shown ~~lined-out~~.

1. Electronic Media Instruction

RATIONALE

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UL specifies that any markings, installation and operating instructions shall be provided with the appliance. In the past, these instructions have typically been provided in hard copy printed format along with additional manufacturer's information, recipes, etc. that are not required by the Standard. For a variety of reasons, manufacturers are looking at other means to provide this important information. Instructions required by the Standard UL 197, must be readily available to the user. The addition of a New Section outlining the requirements regarding the use of electronic media has been developed for UL 197, identifying those instructions that must be provided as hard copy printed instructions, and those required on printed instructions indicating how to obtain a copy of the material contained in the electronic media via mail, phone and /or company website. Electronic Media Instructions have already been adopted and utilized across other Major Appliance Standards, such as UL 471, UL 858, and UL 923.

PROPOSAL

91.5.1 With reference to 91.5, the instructions and warning statements required by Manufacturer's Literature, Section 91 and Installation Instructions, Section 155 shall be provided as printed material. All other instructions may be provided in electronic read-only media format, such as DVD, website, flash drive or CD-ROM. If electronic media instructions are provided, the instructions and warning statements required by Manufacturer's Literature, Section 91 and Installation Instructions, Section 155 shall also be included within the electronic media instructions.

91.5.2 The printed instruction material referenced in 91.5.1 shall contain detailed instructions of how to obtain a printed copy of the material contained in electronic format.

2. Countertop Fryers

RATIONALE

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Paragraph 1.2.1 of UL 1083, the Standard for Household Electric Skillets and Frying-Type Appliances, presently limits the marked maximum oil capacity to not exceed 5.3 quarts (5 liters). The requirements of UL 1083 do not assume use by professionals within a commercial establishment. Countertop deep fryers exceeding these limits have penetrated household retail markets even though these products have only been evaluated for commercial use. There are different levels of acceptable risk between household and commercial products, and general consumers may not be aware of these differences. Products provided with marketing cartons and their instructions provide a means of clarifying the intended usage of the product to the marketplace, so this proposal includes carton and instruction manual requirements for commercial-use only products. The products being addressed are limited to cord connected countertop deep fryers rated nominal 120 V.

PROPOSAL

109A Manufacturer's Literature

109A.1 A cord connected, counter-top deep fryer rated nominal 120 V provided with an individual marketing container shall include instructions that the appliance is not intended for household use.

Exception: This requirement is not applicable to deep fryers additionally complying with the Standard for Household Electric Skillets and Frying-Type Appliances, UL 1083.

109B Carton Markings

109B.1 A cord connected, counter-top deep fryer rated nominal 120 V provided with an individual marketing container shall be marked "NOT FOR HOUSEHOLD USE". The marking shall:

- a) Be located on at least one outside surface; and
- b) Appear in lettering not less than the height specified in Table 109B.1.

Exception: This requirement is not applicable to deep fryers additionally complying with the Standard for Household Electric Skillets and Frying-Type Appliances, UL 1083.