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3-A SSI Releases Revised Sanitary Standard for Equipment Feet and Supports, Number 88-01

McLEAN, Virginia - 3-A Sanitary Standards, Inc. announces the release of a revised 3-A Sanitary Standard, Number 63-04, 3-A Sanitary Standard for Sanitary Fittings. This revision marks the continuation of a series of newly converted Standards which incorporates the important baseline “A Level” 3-A Sanitary Standard for General Requirements, ANSI/3-A 00-01-2018 as a normative reference. The “B Level” Standard, 88-01 has an effective date of October 23, 2019.

This 3-A Sanitary Standard applies to the sanitary aspects of equipment feet and supports used on equipment in a wet processing area of dairy, food and other comestible products plants, including dry processing areas cleaned with water.

These feet or supports attach to the equipment and support the equipment from the floor. The feet or supports begin at the point where the feet or supports attach to the body or base of the equipment and ends at the contact point on the floor. These feet and supports are not product contact surfaces but have a hygienic significance because they may become a harborage of soil and create a source of secondary contamination to the products. This standard does not apply to Casters, mounting to a Slab or Island or to supports that attach to a wall or ceiling.

Users of the previous edition 88-00 should take note that no specific individual equipment requirements have been changed, rather, only format and style and reference to the “A Level” Standard have been incorporated. 3-A Symbol Holders should contact their Certified Conformance Evaluator to request an amendment report for their 3-A Symbol Authorized equipment to display conformance to 88-01.

These standards and other 3-A SSI documents are available from 3-A SSI at www.3-a.org under ‘Standards & Accepted Practices Store’.

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