

**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY****Office of the Secretary****6 CFR Chs. I and II****[DHS Docket No. OGC-RP-04-001]****Unified Agenda of Federal Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions****AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, DHS.**ACTION:** Semiannual regulatory agenda.

**SUMMARY:** This regulatory agenda is a semiannual summary of current and projected rulemakings, existing regulations, and completed actions of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and its components. This agenda provides the public with information about DHS's regulatory activity. DHS expects that this information will enable the public to be more aware of, and effectively participate in, the Department's regulatory activity. DHS invites the public to submit comments on any aspect of this agenda.

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)  
Office of the Secretary ( OS )**

RIN: 1601-AA69

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**Title:** Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS)

**Abstract:** The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) invites public comment on the Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPRM) for potential revisions to the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) regulations. DHS believes this ANPRM will provide expanded opportunities for DHS to hear and consider the views of interested members of the public on their recommendations for possible program changes.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** PreRule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 6 CFR 27 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** sec 550 of the Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act of 2007 PL 109-295, as amended

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
ANPRM	08/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal; Local; State

**Federalism:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)  
Office of the Secretary ( OS )**

RIN: 1601-AA00

 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Freedom of Information Act and Privacy Act Procedures**Abstract:** This rulemaking action will propose to revise 6 CFR part 5, which contains the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS's) Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) (FOIA) and Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) regulations. This rulemaking action will amend DHS' FOIA regulations, including those provisions governing information subject to Privacy Act exemptions and procedures for verification of the identity of Privacy Act requesters. FOIA provides for the disclosure of agency records to the public unless that information is exempt under clearly delineated statutory language. The Privacy Act regulates the collection, maintenance, use, and dissemination of Personally Identifiable Information (PII) maintained by agencies and departments of the executive branch, including DHS. The procedures established here would assist the Department in satisfying its responsibilities to the public to disclose Departmental information while at the same time safeguarding individual privacy.**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 6 CFR 5 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** PL 107-296, 116 Stat 2135; 5 USC 301; 5 USC 552 to 552a**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	01/27/2003	68 FR 4056
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	02/26/2003	
NPRM	09/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined**Government Levels Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**Agency Contact:** James Holzer

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)  
Office of the Secretary ( OS )**

RIN: 1601-AA04

 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance**Abstract:** In 2003, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) published an interim final rule establishing procedures for effectuating title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (except sections 904 and 906 of those Amendments), which is designed to eliminate (with certain exceptions) discrimination on the basis of sex in any education program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance, whether or not such program or activity is offered or sponsored by an educational

institution as defined in these title IX regulations. The Department will issue a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking proposing to revise and update the interim final rule to reflect statutory changes and the current structure of the Department.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 6 CFR 17.1 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** PL 107-296, 116 Stat 2135; 5 USC 301; 20 USC 1681 to 1683; 20 USC 1685 to 1688

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	03/06/2003	68 FR 10892
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	04/07/2003	
NPRM	03/00/2015	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**

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**RIN:** 1601-AA05

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**Title:** Regulations Regarding Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Race, Color, or National Origin in Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance

**Abstract:** In 2003, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) published an interim final rule that effectuated provisions of title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 to the end that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance from the Department of Homeland Security. The Department will issue a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking proposing to revise and update the interim final rule to reflect statutory changes and the current structure of the Department.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 6 CFR 21.1 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** PL 107-296, 116 Stat 2135; 5 USC 310; 42 USC 2000d to 2000d-7

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	03/06/2003	68 FR 10904
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	04/07/2003	
NPRM	03/00/2015	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
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**Title:** Nondiscrimination in Matters Pertaining to Faith-Based Organizations

**Abstract:** This rule will implement Executive Branch policy that, consistent with constitutional church-state parameters, faith-based organizations compete on an equal footing with other organizations for Federal funding, and participate on an equal footing with other organizations in federally funded activities. This rulemaking will also implement the provisions of Executive Order 13559, "Fundamental Principles and Policymaking Criteria for Partnerships with Faith-Based and Other Neighborhood Organizations". This rulemaking is intended to ensure that the Department's programs are implemented in a manner consistent with the requirements of the First Amendment to the Constitution as well as with other requirements.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 6 CFR 19 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** EO 13279; EO 13403; EO 13559

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	01/14/2008	73 FR 2187
NPRM Comment Period End	02/13/2008	
SNPRM	01/00/2015	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** State

**Small Entities Affected:** Organizations

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**Office of the Secretary ( OS )**

RIN: 1601-AA56

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**Title:** Petitions for Rulemaking, Amendment, or Repeal

**Abstract:** The Administrative Procedure Act requires all agencies to allow members of the public to petition for the issuance of new rules or changes to or repeal of existing rules. Pursuant to that requirement, DHS is proposing a petition process for departmental rulemaking actions.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 5 USC 301; 6 USC 101 et seq; 5 USC 553(e)

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**Office of the Secretary ( OS )**

RIN: 1601-AA72

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**Title:** Homeland Security Acquisition Regulation, Enhancement of Whistleblower Protections for Contractor Employees

**Abstract:** The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) is proposing to amend its Homeland Security Acquisition Regulation (HSAR) parts 3003 and 3052 to implement section 827 of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2013 (Pub. L. 112-239, enacted January 2, 2013) for the United States Coast Guard (USCG). Section 827 of the NDAA for FY 2013 established enhancements to the Whistleblower Protections for Contractor Employees for all agencies subject to section 2409 of title 10, United States Code, which includes the USCG.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 48 CFR 3003; 48 CFR 3052 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** Sec 827 of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year 2013, (PL 112-239, enacted January 2, 2013); 41 USC 1302(a)(2); 41 USC 1707

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	09/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**Office of the Secretary ( OS )**

RIN: 1601-AA17

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**Title:** Supplemental Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Department of Homeland Security

**Abstract:** This regulation will supplement the executive branch-wide Standards of Ethical Conduct for employees of the Department of Homeland Security. This regulation will replace the existing supplemental ethics regulations of other departments, pieces of which were incorporated into DHS, which have continued to apply to those employees whose duties and organizational structure have remained largely unchanged after their incorporation. Two significant areas to be addressed by the supplemental regulation are outside employment and the prohibited purchase of Government-owned, seized, or forfeited property by DHS employees.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 5 CFR 4601 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 5 CFR 2635.105

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	10/12/2011	76 FR 63206
NPRM Comment Period End	12/12/2011	
Final Rule	07/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**RIN Information URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)  
 Office of the Secretary ( OS )**

**RIN:** 1601-AA49

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**Title:** Homeland Security Acquisition Regulation (HSAR); Lead System Integrators

**Abstract:** The interim final rule (IFR) implemented section 6405 of the U.S. Troop Readiness, Veterans' Care, Katrina Recovery, and Iraq Accountability Appropriations Act, 2007, Public Law 110-28. DHS had amended the Homeland Security Acquisition Regulation (HSAR) to add new Lead System Integrator language. The new language provided definitions, policies, prohibitions, and waiver processes for entities that have a financial interest in elements of Lead System Integrators. DHS is now finalizing that IFR.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 48 CFR 3002; 48 CFR 3007; 48 CFR 3009; 48 CFR 3016; 48 CFR 3034; 48 CFR 3035; 48 CFR 3052 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** U.S. Troop Readiness, Veterans' Care, Katrina Recovery, and Iraq Accountability Appropriations Act, 2007, PL 110-28

**Legal Deadline:** The deadline is established by section 6405 of Public Law 110-28. It requires DHS to update the Homeland Security Acquisition Regulations in order to specify fully in such regulations the matters with respect to lead system integrators set forth in section 6405.

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory	Interim Rule	07/01/2007

**Timetable:**

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Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	07/15/2010	75 FR 41097
Interim Final Rule Effective	07/15/2010	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	08/16/2010	
Final Rule	06/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** Undetermined

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**

**Office of the Secretary ( OS )**

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**Title:** Ammonium Nitrate Security Program

**Abstract:** This rulemaking will implement the December 2007 amendment to the Homeland Security Act entitled "Secure Handling of Ammonium Nitrate." The amendment requires the Department of Homeland Security to "regulate the sale and transfer of ammonium nitrate by an ammonium nitrate facility...to prevent the misappropriation or use of ammonium nitrate in an act of terrorism."

**Priority:** Economically Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** Yes

**Unfunded Mandates:** Private Sector

**CFR Citation:** 6 CFR 31 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#) )

**Legal Authority:** 2008 Consolidated Appropriations Act, sec 563, subtitle J--Secure Handling of Ammonium Nitrate, PL 110-161

**Legal Deadline:**

Action	Source	Description	Date
NPRM	Statutory	Publication of Notice of Proposed Rulemaking	05/26/2008
Other	Statutory	Publication of Final Rule	12/26/2008

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
ANPRM	10/29/2008	73 FR 64280
Correction	11/05/2008	73 FR 65783
ANPRM Comment Period End	12/29/2008	
NPRM	08/03/2011	76 FR 46908
Notice of Public Meetings	10/07/2011	76 FR 62311
Notice of Public Meetings	11/14/2011	76 FR 70366
NPRM Comment Period End	12/01/2011	
Final Rule	12/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Business

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

**Federalism:** Yes

**Energy Affected:** No

**RIN Information URL:** www.regulations.gov

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**Office of the Secretary ( OS )**

RIN: 1601-AA58

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**Title:** Professional Conduct for Practitioners Rules and Procedures, and Representation and Appearances

**Abstract:** On February 2, 2010, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) published an interim rule with request for comments in the Federal Register implementing amendments to its regulations to conform the grounds of discipline and procedures regulations with those promulgated by the Department of Justice (DOJ); clarify who is authorized to represent applicants and petitioners in cases before DHS; remove duplicative rules, procedures, and authority; improve the clarity and uniformity of existing regulations; make technical and procedural changes; and conform terminology. The final rule will finalize the interim rule.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 1; 8 CFR 292 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#) )

**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1101 and 1103; 8 USC 1291

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	02/02/2010	75 FR 5225
Interim Final Rule Effective	03/04/2010	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	03/04/2010	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period Extended	01/31/2011	76 FR 5267
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	03/02/2011	
Final Rule	07/00/2014	

**Additional Information:** CIS 2446-08

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**RIN Information URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**Office of the Secretary ( OS )**

RIN: 1601-AA68

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**Title:** Classified National Security Information

**Abstract:** The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) is revising its procedures for managing classified national security information. DHS is updating its regulations to incorporate new and revised procedures pursuant to Executive Order 13526, "Classified National Security Information." Further, DHS is delegating to the Chief Security Officer of DHS the responsibility of serving as the "Senior Agency Official" pursuant to Executive Order 13526.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 6 CFR 7 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** EO 13526; EO 13142; PL 107-296; 5 USC 301; ...**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Rule	05/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** Federal**Small Entities Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**RIN Information URL:** www.regulations.gov**Public Comment URL:** www.regulations.gov**Related RINs:** Related to 1601-AA02**Agency Contact:** Scott Ackiss

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E-Mail: [john.steele@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:john.steele@hq.dhs.gov)**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)****Office of the Secretary ( OS )****RIN:** 1601-AA71 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Adoption of Governmentwide Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards**Abstract:** DHS will adopt OMB's revised government-wide Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal awards to non-Federal entities. These revisions are a key component of a larger Federal effort to more effectively focus Federal resources on improving performance and outcomes, while ensuring the financial integrity of taxpayer dollars in partnership with non-Federal stakeholders.**Priority:** Other Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 2 CFR 200 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 6 USC 112**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	12/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** No**Small Entities Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**Agency Contact:** Andrea Brandon

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**Office of the Secretary ( OS )**

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**Title:** Enforcement of Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability in Department of Homeland Security Programs or Activities

**Abstract:** In 2003, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) published an interim final rule that established DHS procedures for the enforcement of section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicap, as it applies to programs or activities conducted by the Department. The rule establishes standards for what constitutes discrimination on the basis of mental or physical handicap, provides a definition for individuals with handicaps and qualified individuals with handicaps, and establishes a complaint mechanism for resolving allegations of discrimination. The Department will issue a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking proposing to revise and update the interim final rule to reflect statutory changes and the current structure of the Department.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 6 CFR 15.1 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#) )

**Legal Authority:** PL 107-296, 116 Stat 2135; 5 USC 301; 29 USC 794

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM		
Interim Final Rule	03/06/2003	68 FR 10886
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	04/07/2003	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**Office of the Secretary ( OS )**

RIN: 1601-AA34

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**Title:** Collection of Alien Biometric Data Upon Exit From the United States at Air and Sea Ports of Departure; United States Visitor and Immigrant Status Indicator Technology Program (US-VISIT)

**Abstract:** DHS established the United States Visitor and Immigrant Status Indicator Technology Program (US-VISIT) in accordance with a series of legislative mandates requiring that DHS create an integrated automated entry-exit system that records the arrival and departure of aliens, verifies aliens' identities, and authenticates travel documents. Upon Presidential approval of the 2013 Continuing Resolution, the "Office of Biometric Identity Management" (OBIM) was created in March 2013, and replaced the US-VISIT program. The NPRM proposed that all aliens provide biometric identifiers at entry and upon departure at any air and sea port of entry at which facilities exist to collect such information.

**Priority:** Economically Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** Yes**Unfunded Mandates:** Private Sector**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 215.1; 8 CFR 215.8 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1101 to 1104; 8 USC 1182; 8 USC 1184 to 1185 (pursuant to EO 13323); 8 USC 1221; 8 USC 1365a; 8 USC 1365b; 8 USC 1379; 8 USC 1731 to 1732**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	04/24/2008	73 FR 22065
NPRM Comment Period End	06/23/2008	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** No**Small Entities Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**RIN Information URL:** www.regulations.gov**Public Comment URL:** www.regulations.gov**Related RINs:** Previously Reported as 1650-AA04**Agency Contact:** Steve Yonkers

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services ( USCIS )**
**RIN:** 1615-AA41 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Asylum and Withholding Definitions

**Abstract:** This rule proposes to amend Department of Homeland Security regulations that govern eligibility for asylum and withholding of removal. The amendments focus on portions of the regulations that deal with the definitions of membership in a particular social group, the requirements for failure of State protection, and determinations about whether persecution is inflicted on account of a protected ground. This rule codifies long-standing concepts of the definitions. It clarifies that gender can be a basis for membership in a particular social group. It also clarifies that a person who has suffered or fears domestic violence may under certain circumstances be eligible for asylum on that basis. After the Board of Immigration Appeals published a decision on this issue in 1999, Matter of R-A-, Int. Dec. 3403 (BIA 1999), it became clear that the governing regulatory standards required clarification. The Department of Justice began this regulatory initiative by publishing a proposed rule addressing these issues in 2000.

**Priority:** Other Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 2; 8 CFR 208 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1103; 8 USC 1158; 8 USC 1226; 8 USC 1252; 8 USC 1282**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/07/2000	65 FR 76588
NPRM Comment Period End	01/22/2001	
NPRM	11/00/2014	

**Additional Information:** CIS No. 2092-00 Transferred from RIN 1115-AF92**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** No**Small Entities Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**RIN Information URL:** www.regulations.gov**Public Comment URL:** www.regulations.gov**Related Agencies:** Joint : DOJ

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)  
 U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services ( USCIS )**

RIN: 1615-AA67

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**Title:** New Classification for Victims of Criminal Activity; Eligibility for the U Nonimmigrant Status

**Abstract:** This rule proposes new application and eligibility requirements for U nonimmigrant status. The U classification is for non-U.S. Citizen/Lawful Permanent Resident victims of certain crimes who cooperate with an investigation or prosecution of those crimes. There is a limit of 10,000 principals per fiscal year. This rule would propose to establish new procedures to be followed to petition for the U nonimmigrant classifications. Specifically, the rule would address the essential elements that must be demonstrated to receive the nonimmigrant classification, procedures that must be followed to file a petition and evidentiary guidance to assist in the petitioning process. Eligible victims would be allowed to remain in the United States if granted U nonimmigrant status. The Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008, Public Law 110-457, and the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) of 2013, Public Law 113-4, made amendments to the U nonimmigrant status provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act. The Department of Homeland Security had issued an interim final rule in 2007.

**Priority:** Other Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 103; 8 CFR 204; 8 CFR 212; 8 CFR 214; 8 CFR 299 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 5 USC 552; 5 USC 552a; 8 USC 1101; 8 USC 1101 (note); 8 USC 1102; PL 113-4

**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	09/17/2007	72 FR 53013
Interim Final Rule Effective	10/17/2007	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	11/17/2007	
NPRM	03/00/2015	

**Additional Information:** Transferred from RIN 1115-AG39**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** Federal; Local; State**Small Entities Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**RIN Information URL:** www.regulations.gov**Public Comment URL:** www.regulations.gov**Agency Contact:** Maureen A. Dunn

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)  
 U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services ( USCIS )**

RIN: 1615-AB79

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**Title:** New Asylum and Withholding Bars for Recruitment or Use of Child Soldiers

**Abstract:** The Child Soldier Accountability Act of 2008 (CSAA) establishes a criminal offense for the recruitment or use of child soldiers, and also establishes grounds of inadmissibility and removability for aliens who have engaged in such recruitment or use. The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Department of Justice (DOJ) propose to amend their companion immigration regulations, to specify that aliens who are inadmissible or deportable for recruitment or use of child soldiers are considered ineligible for asylum and withholding of removal, due to the serious nonpolitical crime bar.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 208; 8 CFR 1208 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** PL 110-340

**Legal Deadline:** The Child Soldier Accountability Act (CSAA) requires the Attorney General and Secretary of Homeland Security (Secretary), within 60 days of the CSAA's enactment, to promulgate a final rule establishing that an alien subject to these grounds of inadmissibility or deportability shall be considered an alien with respect to whom there are serious reasons to believe that the alien committed a serious nonpolitical crime.

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory	CSAA PL 110-340	12/02/2008

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/00/2014	

**Additional Information:** CIS 2467-08

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**Related Agencies:** Joint : DOJ

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services ( USCIS )**

**RIN:** 1615-AB89

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**Title:** Exception to the Persecution Bar for Asylum, Refugee, and Temporary Protected Status, and Withholding of Removal

**Abstract:** This joint rule proposes amendments to Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and Department of Justice (DOJ) regulations to describe the circumstances under which an applicant will continue to be eligible for asylum, refugee, or temporary protected status, special rule cancellation of removal under the Nicaraguan Adjustment and Central American Relief Act, and withholding of removal, even if DHS or DOJ has determined that the applicant's actions contributed, in some way, to the persecution of others when the applicant's actions were taken when the applicant was under duress.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 1; 8 CFR 207; 8 CFR 208; 8 CFR 240; 8 CFR 244; 8 CFR 1001; 8 CFR 1208; 8 CFR 1240 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1101; 8 USC 1103; 8 USC 1158; 8 USC 1226; PL 107-26; PL 110-229

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite

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**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** No**Small Entities Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**Related Agencies:** Joint : DOJ**Agency Contact:** Ronald W. Whitney

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)  
U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services ( USCIS )****RIN:** 1615-AB92 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Employment Authorization for Certain H-4 Dependent Spouses**Abstract:** The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) proposes to amend its regulations by extending the availability of employment authorization to certain H-4 dependent spouses of principal H-1B nonimmigrants who have begun the process of seeking lawful permanent resident status through employment. Allowing the eligible class of H-4 dependent spouses to work encourages professionals with high demand skills to remain in the country and help spur the innovation and growth of U.S. companies.**Priority:** Other Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 274a.12(c) (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** INA sec 214(a)(1) 8 USC 1184(a)(1); INA 274A(h)(3) 8 USC 1324a(h)(3); 8 CFR 274a.12(c); sec 104(c) of PL 106-313; sec 106(a) of PL 106-313; ...**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	05/00/2014	
NPRM Comment Period End	07/00/2014	

**Additional Information:** Includes Retrospective Review under E.O. 13563.**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** No**Small Entities Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**International Impacts:** This regulatory action will be likely to have international trade and investment effects, or otherwise be of international interest.**Agency Contact:** Kevin J. Cummings

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**Title:** Application of the William Wilberforce Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008 to Unaccompanied Alien Children Seeking Asylum

**Abstract:** This rule implements the provisions of the William Wilberforce Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008 (TVPRA), Public Law 110-457, 122 Stat. 5074 (Dec. 23, 2008) relating to unaccompanied alien children seeking asylum. Specifically, the rule proposes to amend Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and Department of Justice (DOJ) regulations relating to asylum applications filed by unaccompanied alien children. The rule will amend both DHS and DOJ regulations to reflect that U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) has initial jurisdiction over any asylum application filed by an unaccompanied alien child. The rule will also add new special procedures for all children in interviews before USCIS officers and for unaccompanied alien children in proceedings before immigration judges in the Executive Office for Immigration Review.

**Priority:** Other Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** Undetermined**CFR Citation:** Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#) )**Legal Authority:** PL 110-457**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	03/00/2015	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined**Government Levels Affected:** Federal**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**Related Agencies:** Joint : DOJ**Agency Contact:** Ted Kim

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RIN: 1615-AB97

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**Title:** Implementation of AC21, the VWPPA, and the ACWIA

**Abstract:** The American Competitiveness in the 21st Century Act (AC21), Public Law 106-313, was enacted on October 17, 2000, along with two bills, the Visa Waiver Permanent Program Act (VWPPA), Public Law 106-311, and a bill to increase the fee for certain H-1B petitions. An earlier piece of legislation, the American Competitiveness and Workforce Improvement Act (ACWIA), Public Law 105-277, was enacted to place certain conditions on the employment of H-1B workers. Together, these bills make significant changes to the H-1B classification. Public Law 106-313 increased the numerical H-1B cap to 195,000 for fiscal year 2000-2002 and the percentage of the fees that the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) receives to 4 percent. It exempts certain aliens from the numerical cap, provides for the "portability" of employment authorization, and in certain circumstances extensions of stay for certain aliens who have permanent residence applications pending. Public Law 105-277 imposes penalties for employers violating certain representations and prohibits retaliation against H-1B workers who disclose these violations. Finally, on November 2, 2002, the President approved enactment of Public Law 107-273, The 21st Century Department of Justice Appropriations Act (21st Century DOJ Appropriations Act), which codified a provision that amends section 106(a) of AC21. This regulation clarifies several interpretive questions raised by the bills and ensures that DHS practice is consistent with these laws.

**Priority:** Other Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule**Major:** Undetermined**Unfunded Mandates:** Undetermined**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 103; 8 CFR 202; 8 CFR 204; CFR 205; 8 CFR 214; 8 CFR 245; 8 CFR 248 (To search for a specific

CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** PL 105-277; PL 106-313; PL 107-273; INA 101(a)(15)(H); PL 106-396; 8 USC 1184(g)(5)

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined

**Government Levels Affected:** Undetermined

**Federalism:** Undetermined

**Energy Affected:** No

**RIN Information URL:** www.regulations.gov

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**RIN:** 1615-AB98

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**Title:** Administrative Appeals Office: Procedural Reforms To Improve Efficiency

**Abstract:** This proposed rule revises the requirements and procedures for the filing of motions and appeals before the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), and its Administrative Appeals Office. The proposed changes are intended to streamline the existing processes for filing motions and appeals and will reduce delays in the review and appellate process. This rule also proposes additional changes necessitated by the establishment of DHS and its components.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 103; 8 CFR 204; 8 CFR 205; 8 CFR 210; 8 CFR 214; 8 CFR 245a; 8 CFR 320; 8 CFR 105 (new); ... (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 5 USC 552; 5 USC 552a; 8 USC 1101; 8 USC 1103; 8 USC 1304; 6 USC 112

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	03/00/2015	

**Additional Information:** Previously 1615-AB29 (CIS 2311-04), which was withdrawn in 2007.

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Governmental Jurisdictions

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**RIN Information URL:** www.regulations.gov

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**Title:** Enhancing Opportunities for H-1B1, CW-1, and E-3 Nonimmigrants and EB-1 Immigrants

**Abstract:** The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) proposes to amend its regulations affecting high-skilled workers within the nonimmigrant classifications for specialty occupation professionals from Chile and Singapore (H-1B1) and from Australia (E-3), and the immigration classification for employment-based first preference (EB-1) outstanding professors and researchers. Additionally, it proposes to amend regulations regarding continued employment authorization for nonimmigrant workers in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI)-Only Transitional Worker (CW-1) classification. DHS proposes changes that would harmonize the regulations for E-3, H-1B1, and CW-1 nonimmigrant classifications with existing regulations for other similarly situated nonimmigrant classifications. DHS is proposing these changes to the regulations to benefit these high-skilled workers and CW-1 transitional workers by removing unnecessary hurdles that place such workers at a disadvantage when compared to similarly situated workers in other visa classifications.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 204; 8 CFR 214; 8 CFR 248; 8 CFR 274a (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1101; 8 USC 1103; 8 USC 1151; 8 USC 1153; 8 USC 1154; 8 USC 1182; 8 USC 1184; 8 USC 1186a; 8 USC 1255; 8 USC 1641; ...

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	05/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** Business; Organizations

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**International Impacts:** This regulatory action will be likely to have international trade and investment effects, or otherwise be of international interest.

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**Title:** Petitioning Requirements for the H-1C Nonimmigrant Classification Under Public Law 106-95

**Abstract:** On November 12, 1999, the Nursing Relief for Disadvantaged Areas Act (NRDAA) was enacted, creating a new H-1C nonimmigrant nurse category. This rule amends the Department of Homeland Security's regulations to implement the NRDAA requirements related to the adjudication petitions for the H-1C classification. Congress did not reauthorize the NRDAA in 2009, and therefore USCIS stopped accepting petitions for the H-1C nonimmigrant category after December 21, 2009. This expiration does not affect the ability of nurses to apply for readmission and, in limited circumstances, extension of stay for H-1Cs who have not exceeded the 3-year limit for admission in this classification.

**Priority:** Other Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 214.1; 8 CFR 214.2; 8 CFR 248.3; 8 CFR 299.1 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1101; 8 USC 1182; 8 USC 1184; 8 USC 1186a; 8 USC 1187**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	06/11/2001	66 FR 31107
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	08/10/2001	
Final Rule	02/00/2015	

**Additional Information:** CIS No. 2050-00; Transferred from RIN 1115-AF76. This rule will be merged with RIN 1615-AB95.**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** No**Small Entities Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**RIN Information URL:** www.regulations.gov**Public Comment URL:** www.regulations.gov**Related RINs:** Merge with 1615-AB95**Agency Contact:** Phillip Elder

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Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	09/07/2001	66 FR 46697
Interim Final Rule Effective	09/07/2001	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	11/06/2001	
Final Rule	02/00/2015	

**Additional Information:** CIS No. 2117-01; Transferred from RIN 1115-AG08. Rule is being merged with RIN 1615-AB95.

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No  
**Small Entities Affected:** No  
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**Federalism:** No  
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**Title:** K Nonimmigrant Classification; Legal Immigration Family Equity (LIFE) Act  
**Abstract:** Section 1103 of the Legal Immigration Family Equity Act (LIFE), Public Law 106-553, finalizes the interim rule that created a new nonimmigrant classification under Immigration and Nationality Act section 101(a)(15)(K) for the spouses and children of U.S. citizens who have pending immigrant visa applications. This rule establishes this classification in DHS regulations, including creating filing and adjudication procedures, as well as procedures for adjusting status from this new nonimmigrant classification to that of a lawful permanent resident.

**Priority:** Other Significant  
**Major:** No

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule  
**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 212; 8 CFR 214; 8 CFR 245; 8 CFR 248; 8 CFR 274a (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** PL 106-553

**Legal Deadline:**

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory		12/21/2000

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	08/14/2001	66 FR 42587
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	10/15/2001	
Final Rule	02/00/2015	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No  
**Small Entities Affected:** No  
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**Government Levels Affected:** No  
**Federalism:** No  
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RIN: 1615-AA59

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**Title:** Classification for Victims of Severe Forms of Trafficking in Persons; Eligibility for T Nonimmigrant Status

**Abstract:** T classification was created by 107(e) of the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000 (VTVPA), Public Law 106-386. The T nonimmigrant classification was designed for eligible victims of severe forms of trafficking in persons who aid law enforcement with their investigation or prosecution of the traffickers, and who can establish that they would suffer extreme hardship involving unusual and severe harm if they were removed from the United States. The rule streamlines application procedures and responsibilities for the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and provides guidance to the public on how to meet certain requirements to obtain T nonimmigrant status. Several reauthorizations, including the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) of 2013, Public Law 113-4, have made amendments to the T nonimmigrant status provisions of the Immigration and Naturalization Act. This rule implements those amendments.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 103; 8 CFR 212; 8 CFR 214; 8 CFR 274a; 8 CFR 299 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 5 USC 552; 5 USC 552a; 8 USC 1101 to 1104; 8 USC 1182; 8 USC 1184; 8 USC 1187; 8 USC 1201; 8 USC 1224 to 1227; 8 USC 1252 to 1252a; 22 USC 7101; 22 USC 7105; PL 113-4

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	01/31/2002	67 FR 4784
Interim Final Rule Effective	03/04/2002	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	04/01/2002	
Interim Final Rule	07/00/2014	

**Additional Information:** Transferred from RIN 1115-AG19

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal; Local; State

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

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**Title:** Implementation of Amendments Affecting Petitions for Employment Creation for Aliens

**Abstract:** This rule amends the Department of Homeland Security regulations to implement changes made by the 21st Century Department of Justice Appropriations Authorization of 2001. This legislation made various changes to the EB-5 alien immigrant classification. This rule finalizes requirements and procedures for special determinations on the applications and petitions of qualifying aliens whose employment creation immigrant petitions were approved after January 1, 1995, and before August 31, 1998.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 204; 8 CFR 216; 8 CFR 245; 8 CFR 299 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1101; 8 USC 1103; 8 USC 1151; 8 USC 1153 and 1154; ...

**Legal Deadline:**

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory		03/02/2003

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	09/28/2011	76 FR 59927
NPRM Correction	10/04/2011	76 FR 61288
NPRM Comment Period End	11/28/2011	
Final Action	03/00/2015	

**Additional Information:** CIS No. 2253-03; Regulatory actions announced in 1115-AF27 are merged with this rulemaking. Transferred from RIN 1115-AG93

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
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**RIN:** 1615-AB68

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**Title:** Petitions Filed on Behalf of H-1B Temporary Workers Subject to the Annual Numerical Limitation

**Abstract:** The Department of Homeland Security is finalizing its interim regulation governing petitions filed on behalf of alien workers subject to the annual numerical limitations applicable to the H-1B nonimmigrant classification. This rule precludes a petitioner from filing duplicate petitions on behalf of the same alien temporary worker. This rule also makes accommodations for petitioners to create a more efficient filing process for H-1B petitions subject to the annual numerical limitation. Finally, this rule clarifies treatment of incorrect cap exemption claims and removes certain unnecessary regulatory language.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 214 (h) (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1184(g); INA 214(g); INA 101(a)(15)(h); 8 USC 1101(a)(15)(H)

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	03/24/2008	73 FR 15389
Interim Final Rule Effective	03/24/2008	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	05/23/2008	
Final Action	02/00/2015	

**Additional Information:** CIS 2434-07.

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** Business

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
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RIN: 1615-AB77

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**Title:** Application of Immigration Regulations to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

**Abstract:** This final rule amends the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Department of Justice (DOJ) regulations to comply with the Consolidated Natural Resources Act of 2008 (CNRA). The CNRA extends the immigration laws of the United States to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI). This rule finalizes the interim rule and implements conforming amendments to their respective regulations.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 208 and 209; 8 CFR 214 and 215; 8 CFR 217; 8 CFR 235; 8 CFR 248; 8 CFR 264; 8 CFR 274a (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** PL 110-229

**Legal Deadline:**

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory	Consolidated Natural Resources Act (CNRA) of 2008	11/28/2009

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	10/28/2009	74 FR 55725
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	11/27/2009	
Correction	12/22/2009	74 FR 67969
Final Action	01/00/2015	

**Additional Information:** CIS 2460-08

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
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**Title:** Special Immigrant Juvenile Petitions

**Abstract:** This rule makes procedural changes and resolves interpretive issues following the amendments mandated by Congress. It will enable juvenile aliens who have been abused, neglected, or abandoned and placed under the jurisdiction of a juvenile court, to obtain special immigrant status. Such status will regularize immigration status for these juveniles and provide the ability to adjust status to lawful permanent resident.

**Priority:** Other Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 204; 8 CFR 205; 8 CFR 245 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1101; 8 USC 1103; 8 USC 1151; 8 USC 1153; 8 USC 1154**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	09/06/2011	76 FR 54978
NPRM Comment Period End	11/07/2011	
Final Rule	03/00/2015	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** Federal; State**Small Entities Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**RIN Information URL:** www.regulations.gov**Public Comment URL:** www.regulations.gov**Agency Contact:** Maureen A. Dunn

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)****U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services ( USCIS )****RIN:** 1615-AB95 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Immigration Benefits Business Transformation, Increment II: Nonimmigrant Classes

**Abstract:** The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) is amending 8 CFR part 214 to provide the agency with the flexibility to move toward electronic filing and adjudication, away from using paper forms, and to remove impediments to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) accepting and processing electronic submissions. This rule is intended to provide the public with simpler, better organized regulatory requirements for each nonimmigrant classification and to remove regulatory and procedural hurdles to the USCIS business transformation initiative. In addition, through this rule, DHS is finalizing four interim final rules, addressing public comments received on those rules, and making changes to the other sections of 8 CFR part 214, including provisions promulgated in those interim rules. The four interim final rules being finalized include rules affecting the H-1B (RIN 1615-AB68), H-1C (RIN 1615-AA35), K (RIN 1615-AA56), and V (RIN 1615-AA53) nonimmigrant classes.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 103; 8 CFR 212; 8 CFR 214; 8 CFR 245; 8 CFR 248; 8 CFR 274a (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 5 USC 301; 5 USC 552; 5 USC 552a; 8 USC 1101; 8 USC 1103**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Rule With a Request for Comments	02/00/2015	

**Additional Information:** CIS# 2505-11. RINs 1615-AA35, 1615-AA53, 1615-AA56, and 1615-AB68 will be merged under this rule, RIN 1615-AB95. Includes Retrospective Review under E.O. 13563.

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** No**Small Entities Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**RIN Information URL:** www.regulations.gov**Public Comment URL:** www.regulations.gov

**Related RINs:** Related to 1615-AB83; Related to 1615-AA35; Related to 1615-AA53; Related to 1615-AA56; Related to 1615-AB68

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)  
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**RIN:** 1615-AC01

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**Title:** Notices of Decisions and Documents Evidencing Lawful Status

**Abstract:** The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) is amending its regulations governing when U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will issue correspondence, notices of decisions, and documents evidencing lawful status in the United States to an applicant, petitioner, attorney, or accredited representative. Through this rule, DHS intends to clarify USCIS notification practices when dealing with represented parties. Specifically, this rule explains how USCIS will issue requests, notices, cards, and original documents to applicants, petitioners, and their attorneys of record or accredited representatives.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 103 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 5 USC 301; 5 USC 552; 5 USC 552a; 8 USC 1101; 8 USC 1103; 8 USC 1304; 8 USC 1356; 31 USC 9701; ...

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
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**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)  
U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services ( USCIS )**

**RIN:** 1615-AA60

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**Title:** Adjustment of Status to Lawful Permanent Resident for Aliens in T and U Nonimmigrant Status

**Abstract:** This rule sets forth measures by which certain victims of severe forms of trafficking who have been granted T nonimmigrant status and victims of certain qualifying criminal activity who have been granted U nonimmigrant status may apply for adjustment to permanent resident status in accordance with Public Law 106-386, Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000; and Public Law 109-162, Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of

2005. The Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008, Public Law 110-457, made amendments to the T nonimmigrant status provisions of the Immigration and Naturalization Act. The Violence Against Women's Act of 2013 made amendments to the T and U nonimmigrant status and the T and U adjustment of status provisions of the Immigration and Naturalization Act. The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) will issue another interim final rule to make the changes required by recent legislation.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 204; 8 CFR 214; 8 CFR 245 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 5 USC 552; 5 USC 552a; 8 USC 1101 to 1104; 8 USC 1182; 8 USC 1184; 8 USC 1187; 8 USC 1201; 8 USC 1224 to 1227; 8 USC 1252 to 1252a; 8 USC 1255; 22 USC 7101; 22 USC 7105; PL 113-4

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule		
Interim Final Rule	12/12/2008	73 FR 75540
Interim Final Rule Effective	01/12/2009	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	02/10/2009	

**Additional Information:** CIS No. 2134-01 Transferred from RIN 1115-AG21

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal; Local; State

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)  
U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services ( USCIS )**

**RIN:** 1615-AB94

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**Title:** Electronic Filing of Requests for Immigration Benefits; Requiring an Application To Change or Extend Nonimmigrant Status To Be Filed Electronically

**Abstract:** The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) is proposing regulations to govern the electronic filing of requests for immigration benefit requests with the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS). DHS also proposes to mandate electronic applications in the new Integrated Operating Environment that is under development, with limited exceptions, for an Application to Extend/Change Nonimmigrant Status from any individual in the M, J, B-1, and B-2 classifications; change of status requests to the F, M, J, B-1, or B-2 classifications; and reinstatement of status requests in the F or M classification.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 103; 8 CFR 204 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1101; 8 USC 1103; 8 USC 1151; 8 USC 1153

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM		

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services ( USCIS )**

RIN: 1615-AC02

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**Title:** Wage Methodology for the Temporary Non-Agricultural Employment H-2B Program

**Abstract:** In an interim final rule (IFR) published in April 2013, DHS and DOL amended their regulations governing the methodology by which DOL calculates the prevailing wages to be paid to H-2B workers and U.S. workers recruited in connection with the application for employment certification of nonimmigrant workers in temporary or seasonal non-agricultural employment. That prevailing wage is then used by employers in petitioning the DHS to allow nonimmigrant workers to enter the U.S. in H-2B status. DOL and DHS jointly issued this rule in response to the court's order in *Comite de Apoyo a los Trabajadores Agricolas v. Solis*, which vacated a provision of DOL's prevailing wage rate regulation, and to ensure that the rule is in effect nationwide in light of other outstanding litigation. The IFR requested comments from the public on a variety of regulatory and policy issues, and the final rule will consider the public's input and make revisions to the regulations as warranted.

**Priority:** Economically Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** Yes

**Unfunded Mandates:** Undetermined

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 214; 20 CFR 655 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#) )

**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1101 to 1103; 8 USC 1182; 8 USC 1184; 8 USC 1186a; 8 USC 1187; 8 USC 1221; 8 USC 1281

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Rule		
Interim Final Rule	04/24/2013	78 FR 24047
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	06/10/2013	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

RIN: 1625-AA77

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**Title:** Commercial Fishing Industry Vessels

**Abstract:** This proposed rule would have amended commercial fishing industry vessel requirements to enhance maritime safety. Commercial fishing is one of the most dangerous industries in America. The Commercial Fishing Industry Vessel Safety Act of 1988 (the Act, codified in 46 U.S.C. chapter 45) gives the Coast Guard regulatory authority to improve the safety of vessels operating in that industry. Although significant reductions in industry deaths were recorded after the Coast Guard issued its initial rules under the Act in 1991, we believe more deaths and serious injury can be avoided through compliance with new regulations in the following areas: vessel stability and watertight integrity, vessel maintenance and safety equipment including crew immersion suits, crew training and drills, and improved documentation of regulatory compliance. This regulatory project was opened in 2002 to consider regulatory changes to improve safety in the commercial fishing industry, which remains one of the most hazardous occupations in the United States. The Coast Guard is now intending to withdraw this rulemaking, subject to public comment on why it should remain open, in light of the 2010 adoption by Congress of new legislation that provides the Coast Guard with important new regulatory authority over commercial fishing safety. Withdrawal of this project will help the Coast Guard focus its regulatory efforts on timely regulatory implementation of its 2010 statutory authority, which will be done under a separate RIN (1625-AB85).

**Priority:** Economically Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** PreRule

**Major:** Undetermined

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 46 CFR 28 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 46 USC 4502(a) to 4502(d); 46 USC 4505 and 4506; 46 USC 6104; 46 USC 10603; DHS Delegation No 0170.1(92)

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
ANPRM	03/31/2008	73 FR 16815
ANPRM Comment Period End	12/15/2008	
Notice of Withdrawal	09/00/2014	

**Additional Information:** The docket number for this rulemaking is USCG-2003-16158. The docket can be found at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**RIN Information URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)

**Public Comment URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)

**Related RINs:** Related to 1625-AB85

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**RIN:** 1625-AC10

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**Title:** Training of Personnel and Manning on Mobile Offshore Units and Offshore Supply Vessels Engaged in U.S. Outer Continental Shelf Activities

**Abstract:** The Coast Guard is considering expanding, consistent with U.S. and international law, its maritime safety training requirements for all personnel working on offshore supply vessels (OSVs) and mobile offshore units (MOUs) engaged in activities on the U.S. Outer Continental Shelf, regardless of flag. This is necessary to enhance personnel preparedness for responding to emergencies such as fire, personal injury, and abandon ship situations in hazardous environments.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** PreRule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 140 to 147; 46 CFR 10 to 15 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 43 USC 1333; 43 USC 1356; 46 USC 2103; 46 USC 71; Department of Homeland Security Delegation No.

0170.1

**Legal Deadline: None****Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
ANPRM	04/14/2014	79 FR 20844
ANPRM Comment Period End	07/14/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**International Impacts:** This regulatory action will be likely to have international trade and investment effects, or otherwise be of international interest.**Agency Contact:** Gerald P. Miente

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

RIN: 1625-AA14

 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Numbering of Undocumented Barges**Abstract:** Title 46 U.S.C. 12301, as amended by the Abandoned Barge Act of 1992, requires that all undocumented barges of more than 100 gross tons operating on the navigable waters of the United States be numbered. This rulemaking would establish a numbering system for these barges. The numbering of undocumented barges allows the Coast Guard to identify the owners of abandoned barges. This rulemaking supports the Coast Guard's broad role and responsibility of protecting natural resources.**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 66 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 46 USC 12301**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Request for Comments	10/18/1994	59 FR 52646
Comment Period End	01/17/1995	
ANPRM	07/06/1998	63 FR 36384
ANPRM Comment Period End	11/03/1998	
NPRM	01/11/2001	66 FR 2385
NPRM Comment Period End	04/11/2001	
NPRM Reopening of Comment Period	08/12/2004	69 FR 49844
NPRM Reopening Comment Period End	11/10/2004	
Supplemental NPRM	08/00/2014	

**Additional Information:** The docket number for this rulemaking is USCG-1998-3798. The docket is located at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). The old docket number is CGD 93-091.**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Business**Government Levels Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**RIN Information URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)**Public Comment URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)**Agency Contact:** Denise Harmon  
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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

RIN: 1625-AA21

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**Title:** Commercial Diving Operations

**Abstract:** This project would revise and update the Coast Guard's commercial diving regulations, which were first adopted in 1978. These revisions and updates would reflect current industry best practices, and new procedures and requirements would allow the Coast Guard to approve independent third party organizations to assist with ensuring regulatory compliance. The project supports the Coast Guard Maritime Safety, Security, and Stewardship program's role and responsibility of reducing deaths and injuries on U.S. commercial vessels, and the Coast Guard's broad role and responsibility of maritime safety.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 46 CFR 197 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 33 USC 1509; 43 USC 1333; 46 USC 3306; 46 USC 3703; 46 USC 6101**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
ANPRM	06/26/1998	63 FR 34840
ANPRM Comment Period Extended	09/23/1998	63 FR 50848
ANPRM Comment Period End	11/09/1998	
Second ANPRM	01/06/2009	74 FR 414
Second ANPRM Comment Period End	03/09/2009	
NPRM	06/00/2014	

**Additional Information:** The docket number for this rulemaking is USCG-1998-3786. The docket can be found at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined**Government Levels Affected:** No**Small Entities Affected:** Business**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**RIN Information URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)**Public Comment URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)**Agency Contact:** Ken Smith

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

RIN: 1625-AB30

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**Title:** Consolidated Cruise Ship Regulations

**Abstract:** This rulemaking proposes requirements for the screening of baggage, personal items, and persons intended for carriage on a cruise ship. This rule would revise the existing regulatory regime under the Maritime Transportation Security Act of 2002 by requiring that cruise ship terminals have and submit a terminal screening program for passengers as part of their

Facility Security Plans. The proposed changes would consolidate security requirements for cruise ships into one portion of the CFR so they are more easily found and provide greater uniformity in screening across the industry.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR subchapter H (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 33 USC 1226; 33 USC 1231

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	06/00/2014	

**Additional Information:** The docket number for this rulemaking is USCG-2006-23846. The docket can be found at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** Undetermined

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**International Impacts:** This regulatory action will be likely to have international trade and investment effects, or otherwise be of international interest.

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**

**U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

**RIN:** 1625-AB38

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**Title:** Updates to Maritime Security

**Abstract:** The Coast Guard proposes certain additions, changes, and amendments to 33 CFR, subchapter H. Subchapter H is comprised of parts 101 through 106. Subchapter H implements the major provisions of the Maritime Transportation Security Act of 2002 (MTSA). This rulemaking is the first major revision to subchapter H. The proposed changes would further the goals of domestic compliance and international cooperation by incorporating requirements from legislation implemented since the original publication of these regulations, such as the Security and Accountability for Every (SAFE) Port Act of 2006, and including international standards such as Standards of Training, Certification & Watchkeeping security training. This rulemaking has international interest because of the close relationship between subchapter H and the International Ship and Port Security Code (ISPS).

**Priority:** Economically Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule

**Major:** Undetermined

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR subchapter H (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 33 USC 1226; 33 USC 1231; 46 USC 701; 50 USC 191 and 192; EO 12656; 3 CFR 1988 Comp p 585; 33 CFR 1.05-1; 33 CFR 6.04-11; 33 CFR 6.14; 33 CFR 6.16; 33 CFR 6.19; DHS Delegation No 0170.1

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	09/00/2014	

**Additional Information:** The regulations.gov docket number for this rulemaking is USCG-2007-0009. Includes Retrospective Review under E.O. 13563

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Business**Government Levels Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**International Impacts:** This regulatory action will be likely to have international trade and investment effects, or otherwise be of international interest.**RIN Information URL:** <http://www.regulations.gov>**Public Comment URL:** <http://www.regulations.gov>**Agency Contact:** LCDR Loan O'Brien  
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E-Mail: [loan.t.o'brien@uscg.mil](mailto:loan.t.o'brien@uscg.mil)**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)****U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )****RIN:** 1625-AB74 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Tonnage Regulations Amendments**Abstract:** The Coast Guard proposes to amend its tonnage regulations to implement amendments to the tonnage measurement law made by the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2010, codify principal technical interpretations issued by the Coast Guard, and incorporate clarifications of, and updates to, the tonnage regulations that are of an administrative and non-substantive nature. The proposed changes would not be applied retroactively and are generally consistent with current policy or practice, facilitating understanding of requirements, without incurring any identified costs.**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule**Major:** Undetermined**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 46 CFR 69 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 46 USC 2301; 46 USC 14101; 46 USC 14103; 46 USC 14302; 46 USC 14303; 46 USC 14305; 46 USC 14501; 46 USC 14503; 46 USC 14512; 46 USC 14514; 46 USC 14522**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	04/08/2014	79 FR 19420
NPRM Comment Period End	07/07/2014	

**Additional Information:** Docket No. USCG-2011-0522**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**Agency Contact:** Marcus J. Akins

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**Title:** Cruise Vessel Security and Safety Act of 2010: Implementation

**Abstract:** The Coast Guard proposes regulations to comply with the Cruise Vessel Security and Safety Act of 2010 (CVSSA) which includes the requirement to issue implementing regulations. The proposed rule will clarify definitions, update existing regulations, and propose performance standards to comply with CVSSA.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule

**Major:** Undetermined

**Unfunded Mandates:** Undetermined

**CFR Citation:** 46 CFR 73; DHS Delegation No 0170.1(92.a) (92.b) (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 5 USC 553; 46 USC 2103; 46 USC 3507(j)

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	06/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**

**U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

**RIN:** 1625-AB92

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**Title:** Deepwater Ports

**Abstract:** The Coast Guard proposes revisions to its regulations for the licensing, construction, design, equipment, and operation of deepwater ports, which are offshore fixed or floating structures, other than vessels, used as ports or terminals for the import or export of oil and natural gas. The proposed revisions would provide additional information, clarify existing regulations, provide additional regulatory flexibility, and add new requirements to ensure safety. The proposed rule would not affect the license of any existing deepwater port, nor would it result in the licensing of any new deepwater port. The proposed rule furthers the Coast Guard's maritime safety and stewardship missions.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 148 to 150 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 33 USC 1504; DHS Delegation No. 0170.1(75)

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	09/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal; State

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

RIN: 1625-AC14

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**Title:** Consumer Price Index Adjustments of Oil Pollution Act of 1990 Limits of Liability-- Vessels, Deepwater Ports and Onshore Facilities

**Abstract:** The Coast Guard proposes to increase the limits of liability for vessels, deepwater ports, and onshore facilities, under the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, as amended (OPA'90), to reflect significant increases in the Consumer Price Index (CPI). We also propose a simplified regulatory procedure for the Coast Guard to make future required periodic CPI increases to the OPA'90 limits of liability for vessels, deepwater ports, and onshore facilities. These regulatory inflation increases to the limits of liability are required by OPA'90, and are necessary to preserve the deterrent effect and "polluter pays" principle embodied in OPA'90. Finally, we propose language to clarify applicability of the OPA'90 vessel limits of liability to two categories of tank vessels, edible oil cargo tank vessels and tank vessels designated as oil spill response vessels. This clarification to the existing regulatory text is needed for consistency with OPA'90. This project supports the Coast Guard's strategic goals of maritime stewardship and maritime safety.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule

**Major:** Undetermined

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 138, subpart B (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 33 USC 2704, 2716 and 2716a; 6 USC 552; EO 12777, sec 4; EO 13638, sec 1; EO 12777, sec 5

**Legal Deadline:** Statutory deadline was established by the Delaware River Protection Act of 2006, codified at 33 U.S.C. 2704(d)(4). Delayed to obtain delegated authorities needed to adjust OPA'90 limits of liability for all Coast Guard source categories (i.e., vessels, deepwater ports, and onshore facilities).

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory		07/11/2006

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	05/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

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**Title:** Seafarers' Access to Maritime Facilities

**Abstract:** This regulatory action will implement section 811 of the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2010 (Pub. L. 111-281), which requires the owner/operator of a facility regulated by the Coast Guard under the Maritime Transportation Security Act of 2002 (Pub. L. 107-295) (MTSA) to provide a system that enables seafarers and certain other individuals to transit between vessels moored at the facility and the facility gate in a timely manner at no cost to the seafarer or other individual. Ensuring that such access through a facility is consistent with the security requirements in MTSA is part of the Coast Guard's Ports, Waterways, and Coastal Security (PWCS) mission.

**Priority:** Other Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 101.112(b); 33 CFR 105.200; 33 CFR 105.237; 33 CFR 105.405 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 33 USC 1226; 33 USC 1231; PL 111-281 sec 811**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/00/2014	

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)****U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )****RIN:** 1625-AC16 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Requirements for MODUs and Other Vessels Conducting Outer Continental Shelf Activities with Dynamic Positioning Systems**Abstract:** The Coast Guard proposes to establish minimum design, operation, training, and manning standards for mobile offshore drilling units (MODUs) and other vessels using Dynamic Positioning systems to engage in Outer Continental Shelf activities. Establishing these minimum standards is necessary to improve the safety of people and property involved in such operations, and the protection of the environment in which they operate. This notice of proposed rulemaking would decrease the risk of a loss of position by a dynamically positioned MODU or other vessel that could result in a fire, explosion, or subsea spill, and supports the Coast Guard's strategic goals of maritime security and protection of natural resources.**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 140; 33 CFR 143; 33 CFR 146; 46 CFR 2; 46 CFR 61; 46 CFR 62 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 43 USC 1331 to 1356a**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	06/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**Agency Contact:** Joshua Reynolds

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U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

**RIN:** 1625-AA99

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**Title:** Vessel Requirements for Notices of Arrival and Departure, and Automatic Identification System

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would expand the applicability for Notice of Arrival and Departure (NOAD) and Automatic Identification System (AIS) requirements. These expanded requirements would better enable the Coast Guard to correlate vessel AIS data with NOAD data, enhance our ability to identify and track vessels, detect anomalies, improve navigation safety, and heighten our overall maritime domain awareness. The NOAD portion of this rulemaking could expand the applicability of the NOAD regulations by changing the minimum size of vessels covered below the current 300 gross tons, require a notice of departure when a vessel is departing for a foreign port or place, and mandate electronic submission of NOAD notices to the National Vessel Movement Center. The AIS portion of this rulemaking would expand current AIS carriage requirements for the population identified in the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) Convention and the Marine Transportation Marine Transportation Security Act (MTSA) of 2002.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 62; 33 CFR 66; 33 CFR 160; 33 CFR 161; 33 CFR 164; 33 CFR 165; 33 CFR 101; 33 CFR 110; 33 CFR 117; 33 CFR 151; 46 CFR 4; 46 CFR 148 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 33 USC 1223; 33 USC 1225; 33 USC 1231; 46 USC 3716; 46 USC 8502; 46 USC 701; sec 102 of PL 107-295; EO 12234

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/16/2008	73 FR 76295
Notice of Public Meeting	01/21/2009	74 FR 3534
Notice of Second Public Meeting	03/02/2009	74 FR 9071
NPRM Comment Period End	04/15/2009	
Notice of Second Public Meeting Comment Period End	04/15/2009	
Final Rule	12/00/2014	

**Additional Information:** We have indicated in past notices and rulemaking documents, and it remains the case, that we have worked to coordinate implementation of AIS MTSA requirements with the development of our ability to take advantage of AIS data (68 FR 39355 and 39370, Jul. 1, 2003). The docket number for this rulemaking is USCG-2005-21869. The docket can be found at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Business

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**RIN Information URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)

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**Related RINs:** Related to 1625-AA93; Related to 1625-AB28

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

RIN: 1625-AB06

 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Inspection of Towing Vessels**Abstract:** This rulemaking would implement a program of inspection for certification of towing vessels, which were previously uninspected. It would prescribe standards for safety management systems and third-party auditors and surveyors, along with standards for construction, operation, vessel systems, safety equipment, and recordkeeping.**Priority:** Other Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 46 CFR 2; 46 CFR 15; 46 CFR 136 to 144 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#) )**Legal Authority:** 46 USC 3103; 46 USC 3301; 46 USC 3306; 46 USC 3308; 46 USC 3316; 46 USC 3703; 46 USC 8104; 46 USC 8904; DHS Delegation No 0170.1**Legal Deadline:** On October 15, 2010, the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2010 was enacted as Public Law 111-281. It requires that a proposed rule be issued within 90 days after enactment and that a final rule be issued within 1 year of enactment.

Action	Source	Description	Date
NPRM	Statutory		01/13/2011
Other	Statutory		10/15/2011

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/11/2011	76 FR 49976
Notice of Public Meetings	09/09/2011	76 FR 55847
NPRM Comment Period End	12/09/2011	
Final Rule	03/00/2015	

**Additional Information:** The regulations.gov docket number is USCG-2006-24412.**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Business; Governmental Jurisdictions; Organizations**Government Levels Affected:** State**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**RIN Information URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)**Public Comment URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)**Agency Contact:** Ken Doyle

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**U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

RIN: 1625-AB21

 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC); Card Reader Requirements**Abstract:** The Coast Guard is establishing electronic card reader requirements for maritime facilities and vessels to be used in combination with TSA's Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC). Congress enacted several statutory requirements within the Security and Accountability for Every (SAFE) Port Act of 2006 to guide regulations pertaining to TWIC readers, including the need to evaluate TSA's final pilot program report as part of the TWIC reader rulemaking. During the rulemaking process, we will take into account the final pilot data and the various conditions in which TWIC readers may be employed. For example, we will consider the types of vessels and facilities that will use TWIC readers, locations of secure and

restricted areas, operational constraints, and need for accessibility. Recordkeeping requirements, amendments to security plans, and the requirement for data exchanges (i.e., Canceled Card List) between TSA and vessel or facility owners/operators will also be addressed in this rulemaking.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR, subchapter H (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 33 USC 1226; 33 USC 1231; 46 USC 701; 50 USC 191; 50 USC 192; EO 12656

**Legal Deadline:** The final rule is required 2 years after the commencement of the pilot program.

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory	SAFE Port Act, codified at 46 USC 70105(k). The final rule is required 2 years after the commencement of the pilot program.	08/20/2010

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
ANPRM	03/27/2009	74 FR 13360
Notice of Public Meeting	04/15/2009	74 FR 17444
ANPRM Comment Period End	05/26/2009	
Notice of Public Meeting Comment Period End	05/26/2009	
NPRM	03/22/2013	78 FR 20558
NPRM Comment Period Extended	05/10/2013	78 FR 27335
NPRM Comment Period Extended End	06/20/2013	
Final Rule	01/00/2015	

**Additional Information:** The docket number for this rulemaking is USCG-2007-28915. The docket can be found at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Business; Governmental Jurisdictions

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**RIN Information URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)

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**Related RINs:** Related to 1625-AB02

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**U.S. Coast Guard (USCG)**

**RIN:** 1625-AB46

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**Title:** Lifesaving Equipment, Production Testing, and Harmonization With International Standards

**Abstract:** The Coast Guard amended its regulations for certain lifesaving equipment, including launching appliances (winches and davits), release mechanisms, survival craft (lifeboats, inflatable life rafts, and inflatable buoyant apparatuses), rescue boats, and automatic disengaging devices. The current rule harmonizes the Coast Guard's design, construction, and performance standards for this lifesaving equipment with international standards. In addition, the rule provides for the use of qualified independent laboratories, instead of Coast Guard inspectors, during the approval process and for production inspections of certain types of lifesaving equipment. The Coast Guard additionally updated the lifesaving equipment regulations for inflatable life rafts and inflatable buoyant apparatuses to harmonize Coast Guard regulations with recently adopted international standards affecting assumed occupant weight. The Coast Guard is adopting further amendments to the lifesaving equipment regulations for release mechanisms to harmonize Coast Guard regulations with international standards affecting design, construction, and performance requirements for release mechanisms.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 46 CFR 160 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 46 USC 2103 and 2104; 46 USC 3301; 46 USC 3305 and 3306; 46 USC 3703; 46 USC 4102; 46 USC 4302; 46 USC 4502; DHS Delegation 0170.1, paragraph 92**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/31/2010	75 FR 53458
NPRM Comment Period End	11/29/2010	
Interim Final Rule	10/11/2011	76 FR 62962
SNPRM	10/11/2011	76 FR 62714
Interim Final Rule Effective	10/10/2011	76 FR 62962
SNPRM Comment Period End	11/25/2011	76 FR 62714
Interim Final Rule	02/21/2012	77 FR 9859
Interim Final Rule Effective	03/22/2012	
Second SNPRM	11/26/2012	77 FR 70390
Second SNPRM Comment Period End	01/25/2013	
Final Rule	05/00/2014	

**Additional Information:** The docket number for this rulemaking is USCG-2010-0048 [Formerly USCG-2007-27669]. The docket can be found at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** Federal**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**RIN Information URL:** <http://www.regulations.gov>**Public Comment URL:** <http://www.regulations.gov>**Related RINs:** Previously Reported as 1625-AB15**Agency Contact:** George Grills

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E-Mail: [george.g.grills@uscg.mil](mailto:george.g.grills@uscg.mil)**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)****U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )****RIN:** 1625-AB56 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Vessel Documentation User Fees--Annual Renewal Fee**Abstract:** The Coast Guard is amending 46 CFR part 67 to include a new annual fee for renewals of endorsements upon the Certificate of Documentation. The Coast Guard is required to establish user fees for services related to the documentation of vessels. This rule would establish a fee to cover the current costs of the vessel documentation services provided by the Coast Guard.**Priority:** Other Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule**Major:** Undetermined**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 46 CFR 67 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 31 USC 9701; 46 USC 2110**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	04/04/2013	78 FR 14053
NPRM Comment Period End	05/03/2013	
Final Rule	07/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined      **Government Levels Affected:** Undetermined

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**

**U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

**RIN:** 1625-AB57

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**Title:** MARPOL Annex 1 Update

**Abstract:** In this rulemaking, the Coast Guard would amend the regulations in subchapter O (Pollution) of title 33 of the CFR, including regulations on vessels carrying oil, oil pollution prevention, oil transfer operations, and rules for marine environmental protection regarding oil tank vessels, to reflect changes to international oil pollution standards adopted since 2004. Additionally, this regulation would update shipping regulations in title 46 to require Material Safety Data Sheets, in accordance with international agreements, to protect the safety of mariners at sea.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** Undetermined

**Unfunded Mandates:** Undetermined

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 151; 33 CFR 155 to 157; 46 CFR 197 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 33 USC 1902; 46 USC 3306

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	04/09/2012	77 FR 21360
NPRM Comment Period End	07/26/2012	77 FR 21360
Comment Period Extended	09/07/2012	77 FR 43741
Final Rule	05/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Business

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

**RIN:** 1625-AB59

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**Title:** Harmonization of Standards for Fire Protection, Detection, and Extinguishing Equipment

**Abstract:** The Coast Guard proposes to amend its regulations for fire, protection, detection, and extinguishing equipment on inspected and uninspected vessels and outer continental shelf facilities. These changes are necessary to ensure Coast Guard

regulations remain current and address advances in new technologies. The proposed rules would also harmonize the Coast Guard's regulations with the appropriate national and international consensus standards for fire protection, detection, and extinguishing equipment.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** Undetermined

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 140; 33 CFR 145; 46 CFR 25; 46 CFR 28; 46 CFR 31 and 32; 46 CFR 34; 46 CFR 71 and 72; 46 CFR 76; 46 CFR 91; 46 CFR 95; 46 CFR 107 and 108; 46 CFR 116; 46 CFR 118; 46 CFR 132; 46 CFR 159; 46 CFR 161 and 162; 46 CFR 164; 46 CFR 169; 46 CFR 175; 46 CFR 177; 46 CFR 181; 46 CFR 189 and 190; 46 CFR 193 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 46 USC 3306; 46 USC 3503; 46 USC 3703; 46 USC 4102; 46 USC 4302; DHS Delegation No 0170.1

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	01/13/2014	79 FR 2254
NPRM Comment Period End	04/14/2014	
Final Rule	04/00/2015	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**RIN Information URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)

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RIN: 1625-AB62

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**Title:** Offshore Supply Vessels of at Least 6000 GT ITC

**Abstract:** The Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2010 removed the size limit on offshore supply vessels (OSVs). The Act also directed the Coast Guard to issue, as soon as is practicable, a regulation to implement section 617 of the Act and to ensure the safe carriage of oil, hazardous substances, and individuals in addition to the crew on vessels of at least 6,000 gross tonnage as measured under the International Convention on Tonnage Measurement of Ships (6,000 GT ITC). Accordingly, the Coast Guard's rule will address design, manning, carriage of personnel, and related topics for OSVs of at least 6,000 GT ITC. This rulemaking will meet the requirements of the Act and will support the Coast Guard's mission of marine safety, security, and stewardship.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** Undetermined

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** PL 111-281, sec 617

**Legal Deadline:**

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory	Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2010	01/01/2012

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	07/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

RIN: 1625-AB66

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**Title:** Revision of Coast Guard Auxiliary Regulations

**Abstract:** The proposed regulatory revisions would align the program's regulations with changes in statutory language that were made in 1996, 2002, 2004, and 2010. They would clarify the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary's organization and status as the Coast Guard's volunteer workforce element, commensurately broaden the role of the Coast Guard Auxiliary as provided for in the afore listed legal authorities, and provide additional liability protection for Coast Guard Auxiliarists assigned to Coast Guard duty.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 5 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#) )

**Legal Authority:** 14 USC 23; 14 USC 92; 14 USC 633; 14 USC 821

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	05/10/2013	78 FR 27321
NPRM Comment Period End	08/08/2013	
Final Rule	06/00/2014	

**Additional Information:** The docket number for this rulemaking is USCG-1999-6712. The docket can be found at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

RIN: 1625-AB68

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**Title:** Ballast Water Management Reporting and Recordkeeping

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend the ballast water management reporting and recordkeeping requirement in 33 CFR part 151, subparts C and D. Obtaining a more complete understanding of vessels' ballasting operations supports the Coast Guard's broad roles and responsibilities of maritime safety and environmental stewardship. This rule would allow most vessels to submit ballast water reports after arrival to the port or place of destination, providing them more flexibility in fulfilling the

reporting requirements. The Coast Guard would also require vessels with ballast tanks operating solely on voyages between ports or places within a single Captain of the Port Zone to submit annual reports of their ballast water management practices.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 151 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 16 USC 4711; DHS Delegation No. 0170.1

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	06/05/2013	78 FR 33774
NPRM Comment Period End	08/05/2013	
Final Rule	07/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** Business

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**RIN Information URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**

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**RIN:** 1625-AB78

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**Title:** Revision of Crane Regulation Standards for Mobile Offshore Drilling Units, Offshore Supply Vessels, and Floating Outer Continental Shelf Facilities

**Abstract:** This rule revises the current regulations to reflect current crane inspection and design standards, and expand applicability of the existing standards regarding who may apply to issue crane certifications and to perform inspections. This rule would support the Coast Guard's strategic goals of maritime safety and mobility, and protection of natural resources.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** Undetermined

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 46 CFR 107; 46 CFR 108; 46 CFR 109 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 43 USC 1333; 46 USC 3103; 46 USC 3306; 46 USC 3307; 46 USC 3316

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	05/13/2013	78 FR 27913
NPRM Comment Period End	08/12/2013	
Final Rule	06/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** Business; Organizations

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

RIN: 1625-AB80

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**Title:** Revision to Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC) Requirements for Mariners

**Abstract:** The Coast Guard is revising its merchant mariner credentialing regulations to implement the requirements of section 809 of the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2010, Public Law 111-281. Section 809 eliminates the requirement for certain mariner populations to hold a Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC). The Coast Guard is also adjusting its regulations to provide an exemption for certain fees associated with merchant mariner credentialing for those mariners not required to hold a TWIC, but who may still be required to visit a TWIC enrollment center to provide the information necessary to obtain a Merchant Mariner Credential (MMC). This rulemaking implements section 809 through revised regulations addressing the applicability of the TWIC requirements and the process of obtaining an MMC for affected mariners, and will supersede Coast Guard Policy Letter 11-15 issued December 2011, which provided affected mariners some of the relief presented by section 809 while the Coast Guard worked on this rulemaking.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 46 CFR 10; 46 CFR 11; 46 CFR 12; 46 CFR 15 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** sec 809 of the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2010, PL 111-281, codified at 46 USC 70105(b)(2); 46 USC 2110(g)

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	11/00/2014	

**Additional Information:** Includes Retrospective Review under E.O. 13563

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

RIN: 1625-AB83

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**Title:** Lifesaving Devices Uninspected Vessels Commercial Barges and Sailing Vessels

**Abstract:** The Coast Guard proposed aligning its regulations with the 2010 Coast Guard Authorization Act. Before 2010, uninspected commercial barges and uninspected commercial sailing vessels fell outside the scope of a statute requiring the regulation of lifesaving devices on uninspected vessels. Lifesaving devices were required on these vessels only if they carried passengers for hire. The 2010 Act brought these vessels within the scope of the statutory requirement to carry lifesaving devices even if they carry no passengers. The Coast Guard proposed requiring the use of wearable personal flotation devices for individuals on board uninspected commercial barges and sailing vessels, and amending several regulatory tables to reflect that requirement. This rulemaking promotes the Coast Guard's maritime safety mission.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 46 CFR 2; 46 CFR 24; 46 CFR 25; 46 CFR 30; 46 CFR 70; 46 CFR 90; 46 CFR 188 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 46 USC 2103; 46 USC 4102; Department of Homeland Security Delegation No 0170.1(92)(a), (92)(b)**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	07/17/2013	78 FR 42739
NPRM Comment Period End	10/15/2013	
Final Rule	05/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** No**Small Entities Affected:** Business**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**Agency Contact:** Martin L. Jackson

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)****U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

RIN: 1625-AB85

 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Commercial Fishing Vessels--Implementation of 2010 and 2012 Legislation**Abstract:** The Coast Guard is implementing those requirements of 2010 and 2012 legislation that pertain to uninspected commercial fishing industry vessels and that took effect upon enactment of the legislation but that, to be implemented, require amendments to Coast Guard regulations affecting those vessels. The applicability of the regulations is being changed, and new requirements are being added to safety training, equipment, vessel examinations, vessel safety standards, the documentation of maintenance, and the termination of unsafe operations. This rulemaking promotes the Coast Guard maritime safety mission.**Priority:** Economically Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule**Major:** Undetermined**Unfunded Mandates:** Private Sector**CFR Citation:** 46 CFR 28; 46 CFR 42 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** PL 111-281; title VI (Marine Safety)**Legal Deadline:**

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory	CGAA 2010 Requirements in effect since 10/15/2010	

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	09/00/2014	

**Additional Information:** The docket number for this rulemaking is USCG-2012-0025. The docket can be found at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Business**Government Levels Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**RIN Information URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)**Public Comment URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)**Related RINs:** Related to 1625-AA77**Agency Contact:** Jack Kemerer

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**U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

RIN: 1625-AB88

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**Title:** Changes to the Inland Navigation Rules of the Road

**Abstract:** The Coast Guard proposes to amend the inland navigation rules in 33 CFR parts 83 through 88 to incorporate amendments made by the International Maritime Organization to the Convention on the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea to which the U.S. is a signatory, and to incorporate recommendations advised by the Navigation Safety Advisory Council. These changes would harmonize domestic and international law by reducing and alleviating equipment requirements on vessels, addressing technological advancements, such as wing-in-ground craft, and making reference to applicable requirements easier to locate by creating uniformity of the two sets of rules.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** Undetermined

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 83; 33 CFR 84; 33 CFR 85; 33 CFR 86; 33 CFR 87; 33 CFR 88 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Authorization Act of 2004, PL 108-293; Department of Homeland Security Delegation 0170.1, Delegation to the Commandant of the Coast Guard.

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/28/2012	77 FR 52175
NPRM Comment Period End	10/29/2012	
Final Rule	05/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

RIN: 1625-AB96

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**Title:** Double Hull Tanker Escorts on the Waters of Prince William Sound, AK

**Abstract:** The Coast Guard is amending the escort requirements for certain tankers in Prince William Sound, AK (PWS). This rulemaking is necessary to implement section 711 of the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2012 (Pub. L. 111-281) which mandates two tug escorts for double hull tankers over 5,000 gross tons carrying oil in bulk on the waters for PWS.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 168 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** sec 4116(c) of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, PL 101-380; 46 USC 3703 note as amended by sec 711 of the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2010, PL 111-281

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	08/19/2013	78 FR 50335
Interim Final Rule Effective	09/18/2013	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	11/18/2013	
Final Rule	06/00/2014	

**Additional Information:** The docket number for this rulemaking is USCG-2012-0975. The docket can be found at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal; State

**Federalism:** Undetermined

**Energy Affected:** No

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**RIN:** 1625-AB97

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**Title:** Implementation of MARPOL Annex V Amendments

**Abstract:** In July 2011, the International Maritime Organization's Marine Environmental Protection Committee amended the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL) Annex V Regulations for the Prevention of Pollution by Garbage from Ships (Annex V). These Annex V amendments entered into force internationally on January 1, 2013. On February 28, 2013, the Coast Guard published an Interim Final Rule (IFR) with request for comments to put revised implementing regulations in place for the U.S., while still allowing for changes as a result of public comment. Prior to finalizing this rule, the Coast Guard intends to publish an additional IFR to make necessary clarifications and modifications to the regulations. This rulemaking revises regulations in 33 CFR part 151 as necessary to conform to the requirements of Annex V.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 151 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 33 USC 1321; 33 USC 1903; 33 USC 1908; 46 USC 6101; PL 104-227; 110 stat 3034, EO 12777; 3 CFR; 1991 Comp p 351; Department of Homeland Security Delegation No 170.1

**Legal Deadline:**

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory	MARPOL V amendments are effective 01 January 2013--must align our domestic regulations prior to January 2013 for compliance with our international obligations	01/01/2013

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	02/28/2013	78 FR 13481
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	05/29/2013	
Interim Final Rule	09/00/2014	

**Additional Information:** Coast Guard docket number for this request is USCG-2012-1049.

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Small Entities Affected:** No**Energy Affected:** No**RIN Information URL:** www.regulations.gov**Related RINs:** Related to 1625-AB76**Agency Contact:** LCDR Rodney Wert

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**Government Levels Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Public Comment URL:** www.regulations.gov**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)****U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )****RIN:** 1625-AC00 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Electrical Equipment in Hazardous Locations

**Abstract:** The Coast Guard proposes to amend the electrical engineering regulations in 46 CFR subchapter J. We anticipate that the proposed regulations will be applicable to foreign and U.S. Mobile Offshore Drilling Units (MODUs), floating facilities, and vessels that engage in OCS activities for the first time after the effective date of the regulations. The proposed regulations would expand the list of acceptable national and international explosion protection standards. It would also add IECEx (the IEC System for Certification to Standards relating to Equipment for use in Explosive Atmospheres) as an acceptable independent third-party certification system for testing and certifying electrical equipment. Finally, the proposed regulations would provide owners and operators of U.S. tank vessels the option of choosing between the compliance regime contained in existing 46 CFR subpart 111.105 or the one contained in proposed regulations. This proposal would support the U.S. Coast Guard's maritime safety mission.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 143; 46 CFR 110; 46 CFR 111 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 43 USC 1333; 43 USC 1348; 43 USC 1356; 33 USC 1509; 46 USC 3306; 46 USC 3307; 46 USC 3703**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	06/24/2013	78 FR 37760
NPRM Comment Period End	09/23/2013	
NPRM Comment Period Extended	11/30/2013	78 FR 58989
Final Rule	09/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**Agency Contact:** Raymond Martin

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)****U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )****RIN:** 1625-AC01 [View Related Documents](#)



**Title:** Amendments to 33 CFR Part 177--Removing the Wave Height Provisions and Regulated Boating Areas for Bar Crossing Locations Along the Coasts of Oregon and Washington

**Abstract:** The primary purpose of this rulemaking is to amend 33 CFR part 177 to remove the wave height provisions under section 177.07(f) and the Regulated Boating Areas under section 177.08, which have been replaced with more recently promulgated and robust regulatory provisions contained in 33 CFR part 165.1325. This rulemaking will support the Coast Guard's mission of marine safety.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 177 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 46 USC 4302; 46 USC 4311

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	07/09/2013	78 FR 40963
Interim Final Rule Effective	08/08/2013	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	09/09/2013	
Final Rule	05/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

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**RIN:** 1625-AC02

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**Title:** Personal Flotation Devices Labeling and Standards

**Abstract:** The rulemaking would remove references to type codes in Coast Guard regulations on the carriage and labeling of Coast Guard-approved personal flotation devices (PFDs). PFD type codes are unique to Coast Guard approval and are not well understood by the public. Removing these type codes from our regulations would facilitate future incorporation by reference of new industry consensus standards for PFD labeling that will more effectively convey safety information, and is a step toward harmonization of our regulations with PFD requirements in Canada and in other countries.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 46 CFR 160; 46 CFR 164; 46 CFR 169 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 46 USC 2103; 46 USC 2113; 46 USC 3306; 46 USC 3703; 46 USC 4302

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/14/2013	78 FR 49412
NPRM Comment Period End	10/15/2013	
Final Rule	07/00/2014	

**Additional Information:** The rulemaking supports the efforts of the U.S.-Canada Regulatory Cooperation Council (RCC). You can find this regulation on regulations.gov and the docket number associated with it is USCG-2013-0263.

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** Federal; State**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**International Impacts:** This regulatory action will be likely to have international trade and investment effects, or otherwise be of international interest.**Agency Contact:** Brandi A. Baldwin

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)****U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )****RIN:** 1625-AC08 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Shipping and Transportation; Technical, Organizational, and Conforming Amendments**Abstract:** This rule makes non-substantive changes throughout title 46 and 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations. The purpose of this rule is to make conforming amendments and technical corrections to Coast Guard shipping and transportation regulations. These changes will have no substantive effect on the regulated public. This rule is provided to coincide with the annual recodification of title 46 and 49 on October 1, 2013.**Priority:** Info./Admin./Other**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule**Major:** Undetermined**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 5 USC 553**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Rule	09/00/2014	

**Additional Information:** The OFR docket number for this RIN is USCG-2013-0671**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**RIN Information URL:** www.regulations.gov**Agency Contact:** Paul Crissy

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)****U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )****RIN:** 1625-AC12 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Notice of Arrival on the Outer Continental Shelf, Exception

**Abstract:** This rulemaking will implement section 704 of the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2012 by exempting U.S. MODUs and vessels traveling between OCS block areas from having to submit a Notice of Arrival (NOA). Under current regulations in 33 CFR part 146, subparts C and E, U.S. MODUs and vessels are required to submit an NOA when moving from one OCS block area to another.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 146 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** PL 112-213, sec 704

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Rule	05/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

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RIN: 1625-AC13

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**Title:** Navigation and Navigable Waters; Technical, Organizational, and Conforming Amendments

**Abstract:** This rule makes conforming amendments and technical corrections to Coast Guard navigation and navigable waters regulations. These changes consist of updates to office titles, office codes, and contact information.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 5 USC 552 and 553

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Rule	06/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

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 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Safety Zone Regulations

**Abstract:** The Coast Guard uses these routine and frequent regulations to establish control of access to maritime areas to ensure the safety of events, vessels, or individuals. Many of these zones are of short duration, ranging from a few hours to a few days, and all are geographically limited in area. Safety zones, defined in 33 CFR 165.20, are established for events such as fireworks displays, high-speed races, bridge repairs, dredging, or salvage operations, or the transit of dangerous cargoes such as explosives or liquefied petroleum gas. Safety zones are promulgated by Captains of the Port or District Commanders. These routine and frequent rulemakings support the Coast Guard's broad roles and responsibilities of maritime safety and maritime stewardship. Safety zones under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act are also included in these routine and frequent regulations. A total of 150 events are expected annually.

**Priority:** Routine and Frequent**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 147; 33 CFR 165 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 14 USC 85; 33 USC 1226; 33 USC 1231; 33 USC 1333; 46 USC 701; 46 USC 3306; 46 USC 3703; 50 USC 191; 50 USC 195; 33 CFR 1.05-1; 33 CFR 6.04-1; 33 CFR 6.04-6; 33 CFR 160.5; PL 107-295; ...**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
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**Additional Information:** Routine and frequent rulemakings issued under this RIN will each have an individual docket number.**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** No**Small Entities Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**RIN Information URL:** <http://www.regulations.gov>**Public Comment URL:** <http://www.regulations.gov>**Agency Contact:** George Detweiler

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 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Special Anchorage Areas/Anchorage Grounds Regulations

**Abstract:** These routine and frequent regulations are established where maritime and commercial interests require them for safety of navigation. Special anchorage areas are areas in which vessels of not more than 65 feet may anchor without displaying the required lights or sound signals because they have been found to be unnecessary to maintain marine safety in this environment. These special anchorage areas are limited geographically, and, depending on the purpose of the designation, establish both long- and short-term anchorages. Anchorage grounds are limited geographically, delineate the types and size of vessel that may use the anchorage, and may place time and other restrictions on use of the anchorage. Regulations designating special anchorage areas and anchorage grounds are promulgated by District Commanders in response to requests from appropriate officials. These routine and frequent rulemakings support the Coast Guard's broad role and responsibility of maritime safety. Approximately five actions are expected annually.

**Priority:** Routine and Frequent**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 110 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 33 USC 471; 33 USC 1221 to 1236; 33 USC 2030; 33 USC 2035; 33 USC 2071

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		

**Additional Information:** Routine and frequent rulemakings issued under this RIN will have individual docket numbers.

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

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**RIN:** 1625-AA02

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**Title:** Discharge-Removal Equipment for Vessels Carrying Oil

**Abstract:** The Oil Pollution Act of 1990 directed the President by August 18, 1992, to require periodic inspection of discharge-removal equipment to ensure that it is available in an emergency, and to require carriage of discharge removal equipment by vessels operating in the navigable waters of the United States and carrying oil or hazardous substances. This action implemented those provisions. This project supports the Coast Guard's broad role and responsibility of maritime stewardship.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 155 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 33 USC 1321

**Legal Deadline:**

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory		08/18/1992

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
ANPRM	08/30/1991	56 FR 43534
ANPRM Comment Period End	10/16/1991	
NPRM	09/29/1992	57 FR 44912
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NPRM Comment Period End	10/29/1992	
NPRM Comment Period Extended	11/16/1992	57 FR 48489
Interim Final Rule	12/22/1993	58 FR 67988
Interim Final Rule Effective	01/21/1994	
Correction	01/26/1994	59 FR 3749
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	02/22/1994	
Notice	03/27/2012	77 FR 18151
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**Additional Information:** The docket number for this rulemaking is USCG-2011-0430. The docket can be found at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** Business

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**RIN Information URL:** www.regulations.gov

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**RIN:** 1625-AA08

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**Title:** Regatta and Marine Parade Regulations

**Abstract:** These routine and frequent regulations provide for the safety of participants and spectators during regattas and marine parades. The regulations specify such controls as separate participant and spectator areas, separation schemes for watercraft in the area of the event, and temporary restrictions on waterways to accommodate the event. These rules are short-term in nature (usually a single event of one to three days, for only part of each day), and usually encompass only a portion of a navigable waterway. These rules are promulgated by District Commanders and Captains of the Port in response to requests from event sponsors. These rulemakings support the Coast Guard's maritime safety and maritime stewardship missions with regard to the mobility of commercial and recreational vessel traffic. Approximately 50 actions are expected annually.

**Priority:** Routine and Frequent

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 100 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 33 USC 1233

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		

**Additional Information:** Routine and frequent rulemakings issued under this RIN will have individual docket numbers. Regatta and Marine Parade regulations are also referred to as Special Local Regulations.

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** Business; Organizations

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Title:** Drawbridge Regulations

**Abstract:** These routine and frequent regulations establish operating schedules and notice requirements for drawbridges across navigable waterways. Drawbridge regulations establish the permanent draw operation schedules for bridges and specify what notice mariners must give to request an opening. Short-term deviations from the permanent schedule may be issued for bridge repairs or to test the effectiveness of a proposed new opening schedule. Drawbridge regulations are promulgated by District Commanders usually at the request of the bridge owner or operator, or of local officials or local Coast Guard bridge administration officials. These routine and frequent rulemakings support the Coast Guard's broad roles and responsibilities of maritime safety and maritime stewardship in relation to the mobility of commercial and recreational vessel traffic. The total actions expected are 140 annually.

**Priority:** Routine and Frequent

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 117 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 33 USC 499

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		

**Additional Information:** Routine and frequent rulemakings issued under this RIN will have individual docket numbers.

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** Business; Governmental Jurisdictions

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**RIN Information URL:** <http://www.regulations.gov>

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**

**U.S. Coast Guard (USCG)**

**RIN:** 1625-AA11

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**Title:** Regulated Navigation Areas

**Abstract:** These routine and frequent regulations establish operating requirements for vessels within specified geographic areas to ensure safety on the navigable waters where some special or unusual circumstance exists. Regulated navigation areas are limited areas in which the Coast Guard specifies operational or vessel restrictions, such as vessel entry, movement, or departure, and vessel size, speed, horsepower, or draft limitations. Regulated navigation areas are promulgated by District Commanders, usually at the request of Coast Guard marine safety officials or local maritime safety officials. These routine and frequent rulemakings support the Coast Guard's broad roles and responsibilities of maritime safety and maritime stewardship. A total of 5-10 actions are expected annually.

**Priority:** Routine and Frequent

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 165 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 33 USC 1231; 33 USC 1226; 46 USC 701; 50 USC 191; 50 USC 195

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		

**Additional Information:** Routine and frequent rulemakings issued under this RIN will have individual docket numbers.

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**

**U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

**RIN:** 1625-AA18

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**Title:** Outer Continental Shelf Activities

**Abstract:** The Coast Guard is the lead Federal agency for workplace safety and health on facilities and vessels engaged in the exploration for, or development, or production of, minerals on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS), other than for matters generally related to drilling and production that are regulated by the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation, and Enforcement (BOEMRE). This project would revise the regulations on OCS activities by: 1) Adding new requirements, for OCS units for lifesaving, fire protection, training, hazardous materials used as stores, and accommodation spaces; 2) adding standards for electrical and machinery installations in hazardous locations; 3) providing regulations for dynamic positioning systems; 4) providing for USCG acceptance and approval of specified classification society plan reviews, inspections, audits, and surveys; and 5) requiring foreign vessels engaged in OCS activities to comply with rules similar to those imposed on U.S. vessels similarly engaged. This project would affect the owners and operators of facilities and vessels engaged in offshore activities.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 140 to 147 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 43 USC 1333(d)(1); 43 USC 1348(c); 43 USC 1356; DHS Delegation No 0170.1

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Request for Comments	06/27/1995	60 FR 33185
Comment Period End	09/25/1995	
NPRM	12/07/1999	64 FR 68416
NPRM Correction	02/22/2000	65 FR 8671
NPRM Comment Period Extended	03/16/2000	65 FR 14226
NPRM Comment Period Extended	06/30/2000	65 FR 40559
NPRM Comment Period End	11/30/2000	
Supplemental NPRM	06/00/2015	

**Additional Information:** Docket Numbers: The notice of request for comments published June 27, 1995, was assigned Coast Guard docket number 95-016. Following the request for comments, that docket was terminated. This project continues under Docket No. USCG-1998-3868 and RIN 1625-AA18. This docket may be viewed online by going to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Business

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**RIN Information URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
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RIN: 1625-AA25

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**Title:** Cargo Securing on Vessels Operating in U.S. Waters

**Abstract:** This rulemaking applies to vessels of 500 gross tons or more traveling on international voyages. It would require manuals to guide vessel crews in securing certain cargo to prevent its loss at sea and would prescribe when and how the loss or jettisoning of cargo must be reported. It would also authorize third party organizations to review and approve Cargo Securing Manuals on behalf of the Coast Guard.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 97; 46 CFR 91 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 46 USC 3306

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	12/01/2000	65 FR 75201
NPRM Comment Period End	03/01/2001	
Supplemental NPRM	11/15/2013	78 FR 68784
Supplemental NPRM Comment Period End	02/13/2014	

**Additional Information:** The docket number for this rulemaking is USCG-2000-7080. The docket can be found at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**International Impacts:** This regulatory action will be likely to have international trade and investment effects, or otherwise be of international interest.

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

RIN: 1625-AA87

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**Title:** Security Zone Regulations

**Abstract:** The Coast Guard uses these routine and frequent regulations to establish control of access to maritime areas to ensure the security of vessels, waterfront facilities, or individuals. Many of these zones are of short duration, a few hours to a few days, and all are geographically limited in area. Security zones are established for Presidential or Vice Presidential visits, high-profile events such as the Olympics, controversial events such as transport of spent nuclear fuel, and in response to the threat of terrorist attacks. Some security zones are implemented only at heightened security levels and only for the duration of

the heightened alert. Security zones are promulgated by Captains of the Port or District Commanders. These routine and frequent rulemakings support the Coast Guard's broad roles and responsibilities of maritime security, safety, and stewardship. The total number of actions expected is 100 annually.

**Priority:** Routine and Frequent

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 165; 33 CFR 6 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 33 USC 1226; 33 USC 1231; 50 USC 191

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		

**Additional Information:** Routine and frequent rulemakings issued under this RIN will each have an individual docket number.

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**

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**RIN:** 1625-AB32

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**Title:** Assessment Framework and Organizational Restatement Regarding Preemption for Certain Regulations Issued by the Coast Guard

**Abstract:** The proposed rule will operate in two ways. First, it will describe the Coast Guard's interpretation of the preemptive effect of certain current Coast Guard regulations. This analysis will apply to previously promulgated regulations even if a complete description of federalism implications was clearly articulated in the development of the regulation. Second, the rule will set forth criteria and a process that the Coast Guard will undertake in future regulatory projects for evaluating the preemptive impact of those regulations. This part of the analysis is prospective in nature and will lay out a roadmap for future regulatory projects regarding federalism and preemption principles. This rulemaking will support the Coast Guard's broad role and responsibility of further enhancing maritime stewardship by reinforcing a uniform maritime regulatory regime that is predictable and useful for maritime interests.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 1.06 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 14 USC 2; 14 USC 91; 33 USC 1223; 33 USC 1231; 33 USC 1903(b); 46 USC 3203; 46 USC 3306; 46 USC 3703; 46 USC 3717; 46 USC 4302; 46 USC 6101; DHS Delegation No 0170.1

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	12/27/2013	78 FR 79241
Comment Period End	03/27/2014	

**Additional Information:** The docket number for this rulemaking is USCG-2008-1259. The docket can be found at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No  
**Small Entities Affected:** No  
**Energy Affected:** No  
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**Federalism:** No  
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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
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RIN: 1625-AB58

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**Title:** Amendments to Chemical Testing Requirements

**Abstract:** This rulemaking supports the Commandant's Marine Safety strategic goal by making numerous small improvements to the drug and alcohol testing program. These changes would close loopholes, increase the efficiency and reliability of drug test reporting, and reorganize 46 CFR 16 into question and answer format. Amendments to 33 CFR 95 would authorize Coast Guard civilian marine investigators to order post-accident drug tests (in the same way as active-duty marine investigators do).

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 46 CFR 16; 33 CFR 95 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 46 USC 2103; 46 USC 7101; 46 USC 7302; 46 USC 7701; DHS Delegation No. 0170.1

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM		
Notice With Request for Comments	01/20/2012	77 FR 2935
Notice Comment Period End	03/20/2012	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No  
**Small Entities Affected:** Governmental Jurisdictions  
**Energy Affected:** No  
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**Government Levels Affected:** Federal; Local; State  
**Federalism:** Yes  
**Public Comment URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

RIN: 1625-AB94

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**Title:** 2012 Liquid Chemical Categorization Updates

**Abstract:** The primary purpose of this rulemaking is to update information contained in 46 CFR parts 30, 150, 151, 153, and 154 text and tables about the characteristics of liquid chemical cargoes. The updating would be based on: The latest

"Provisional Categorization of Liquid Substances" Circular (MEPC.2/Circ. 17; Dec. 17, 2011) of the MEPC and the March 2012 Annex to the IBC Code; Coast Guard approvals of liquid chemical cargoes for domestic-only carriage; and on Coast Guard information about chemicals that are either no longer being manufactured or no longer shipped by bulk on vessels.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** Undetermined

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 46 CFR 30; 46 CFR 150 and 151; 46 USC 153 and 154 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 33 USC 1903; 46 USC 2103; 46 USC 3306; 46 USC 3703; DHS Delegation No 0170.1

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
Interim Final Rule	08/16/2013	78 FR 50148
Interim Final Rule Effective	09/16/2013	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	11/14/2013	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**RIN Information URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)

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**RIN:** 1625-AB99

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**Title:** Marine Casualty Reporting on the Outer Continental Shelf

**Abstract:** The primary purpose of this rulemaking is to clarify and expand 46 CFR subchapter N--Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) provisions regarding marine casualty reporting and associated drug testing requirements to align with the requirements of 46 CFR part 4 to ensure the same level of safety is provided to all mariners working on the United States OCS, all facilities, Mobile Offshore Drilling Units (MODUs), and other vessels operating on the United States OCS. This will improve the Coast Guard's ability to capture data on casualties that occur on the United States OCS. That data is essential to conducting the analysis necessary to develop sound future regulatory requirements. A regulatory safety regime founded on improved casualty data will help prevent future mishaps and make the OCS safer and cleaner for future generations.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** Undetermined

**Unfunded Mandates:** Private Sector

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 140; 33 CFR 146; 46 CFR 4; 46 CFR 109 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** The Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act; 43 USC 1331

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Rule		
NPRM	01/10/2014	79 FR 1780
NPRM Comment Period End	04/10/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)****U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

RIN: 1625-AC04

 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Inland Waterways Navigation Regulations, St. Mary's River**Abstract:** This rule exempts vessels under 20 meters (65 feet) in length operating in the St. Mary's River along Michigan's eastern Upper Peninsula from certain speed rules in 33 CFR 162.117(g). Exempting such vessels from these rules is necessary because enforcement is impractical and the rules impeded the operation of public response vehicles.**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action**Major:** Undetermined**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 162.117 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#) )**Legal Authority:** 33 USC 1231**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Rule		
NPRM	04/26/2013	78 FR 24697
NPRM Comment Period End	06/10/2013	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**Agency Contact:** Oneida Cuevas

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RIN: 1625-AC05

 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Safety and Environmental Management System Requirements on the U.S. Outer Continental Shelf**Abstract:** The Coast Guard seeks public comment on whether it should issue regulations that will require vessels engaged in OCS activities (defined in 33 CFR subchapter N) to develop, implement, and maintain a vessel-specific Safety and Environmental Management System (SEMS) that incorporates the management program and principles of the American Petroleum Institute's Recommended Practice for Development of a Safety and Environmental Management Program for Offshore Operations and Facilities, Third Edition, May 2004 (API RP 75).**Priority:** Other Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 140 to 147 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#) )

**Legal Authority:** 43 USC 1331 to 1356a

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM		
ANPRM	09/10/2013	78 FR 55230
ANPRM Comment Period End	12/09/2013	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined

**Government Levels Affected:** Undetermined

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**International Impacts:** This regulatory action will be likely to have international trade and investment effects, or otherwise be of international interest.

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**

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**RIN:** 1625-AA16

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**Title:** Implementation of the 1995 Amendments to the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification, and Watchkeeping (STCW) for Seafarers, 1978

**Abstract:** The International Maritime Organization (IMO) comprehensively amended the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification, and Watchkeeping (STCW) for Seafarers, 1978, in 1995 and 2010. The 1995 amendments came into force on February 1, 1997. This project implements those amendments by revising current rules to ensure that the United States complies with their requirements on: The training of merchant mariners, the documenting of their qualifications, and watchstanding and other arrangements aboard seagoing merchant ships of the United States. In addition, the Coast Guard has identified the need for additional changes to the interim rule issued in 1997. This project supports the Coast Guard's broad role and responsibility of maritime safety. It also supports the roles and responsibilities of the Coast Guard of reducing deaths and injuries of crew members on domestic merchant vessels and eliminating substandard vessels from the navigable waters of the United States. The Coast Guard published an NPRM on November 17, 2009, and Supplemental NPRMs (SNPRM) on March 23, 2010 and August 1, 2011. At a June 2010 diplomatic conference, the IMO adopted additional amendments to the STCW convention which change the minimum training requirements for seafarers. In response to feedback and to the adoption of those amendments, the Coast Guard developed a second Supplemental NPRM to incorporate the 2010 Amendments into the 1990 interim rule.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Completed Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 46 CFR 10; 46 CFR 11; 46 CFR 12; 46 CFR 15 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#) )

**Legal Authority:** 46 USC 2103; 46 USC 71; 46 USC 73; DHS Delegation No. 0170.1

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Notice of Meeting	08/02/1995	60 FR 39306
Supplemental NPRM Comment Period End	09/29/1995	
Notice of Inquiry	11/13/1995	60 FR 56970
Comment Period End	01/12/1996	
NPRM	03/26/1996	61 FR 13284
Notice of Public Meetings	04/08/1996	61 FR 15438
NPRM Comment Period End	07/24/1996	
Notice of Intent	02/04/1997	62 FR 5197

Interim Final Rule	06/26/1997	62 FR 34505
Interim Final Rule Effective	07/28/1997	
NPRM	11/17/2009	74 FR 59353
NPRM Comment Period End	02/16/2010	
Supplemental NPRM	03/23/2010	75 FR 13715
Supplemental NPRM	08/01/2011	76 FR 45908
Public Meeting Notice	08/02/2011	76 FR 46217
Supplemental NPRM Comment Period End	09/30/2011	
Final Rule	12/24/2013	78 FR 77795

**Additional Information:** The docket number for this rulemaking is USCG-2004-17914. The docket is located at www.regulations.gov. The old docket number is CGD 95-062. Includes Retrospective Review under E.O. 13563.

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Business

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**International Impacts:** This regulatory action will be likely to have international trade and investment effects, or otherwise be of international interest.

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## Department of Homeland Security (DHS)

### U.S. Coast Guard (USCG)

RIN: 1625-AA89

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**Title:** Dry Cargo Residue Discharges in the Great Lakes

**Abstract:** The historical practice of bulk dry cargo vessels on the Great Lakes is to discharge cargo residues ("dry cargo residue" or DCR) overboard. Dry cargo residue is cargo that remains on the deck or cargo spaces after loading or unloading operations. Generally, these residues include limestone and other clean stone, iron ore (such as taconite), coal, salt, and cement. These substances are primarily inorganic, non-toxic, and non-hazardous. Public Law 108-293, sec. 623(b), gives the Coast Guard regulatory authority over DCR discharges in the Great Lakes. An Interim Rule (73 FR 56492, Sep. 29, 2008) allows the discharge of bulk DCR in limited areas of the Great Lakes by self-propelled vessels and by any barge that is part of an integrated tug and barge unit. A Supplemental Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (SNPRM), (77 FR 44528, July 30 2012), proposed replacing its existing interim rule with a new rule and also announced the availability of a tiered Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) prepared in support of the SNPRM. The SNPRM proposed to allow the discharge of DCR in limited areas of the Great Lakes. However, vessel owners and operators would need to minimize DCR discharges using methods they would be required to document in DCR management plans. The SNPRM also proposed to prohibit limestone and clean stone discharges in some waters where they are now permitted.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Completed Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 151 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** PL 108-293

**Legal Deadline:** None

#### Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	05/23/2008	73 FR 30014
NPRM Comment Period End	07/22/2008	
Interim Final Rule	09/29/2008	73 FR 56492
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	01/15/2009	
Supplemental NPRM	07/30/2012	77 FR 44528
Supplemental NPRM Comment Period End	10/29/2012	

Notice	09/25/2013	78 FR 58986
Notice Comment Period End	10/25/2013	
Final Rule	01/31/2014	79 FR 5261

**Additional Information:** Supplementary information about this rulemaking may be found in the docket for this rulemaking. The docket number for this rulemaking is USCG-2004-19621. The docket can be found at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
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**Title:** Waiver of Citizenship Requirements for Crewmembers on Commercial Fishing Vessels

**Abstract:** The Coast Guard is adding to its regulations a description of the procedures for requesting and processing waivers from the citizenship requirements on commercial fishing vessels. Title 46 U.S.C. 8103 provides for relief from the requirement that not more than 25 percent of the total number of unlicensed seamen on a U.S. documented vessel may be aliens lawfully admitted to the United States under the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) of 1952. We believe we can improve our efforts to inform the commercial fishing industry of this statutorily provided relief by incorporating our application procedure policy into our regulations.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Completed Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 46 CFR 28 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 46 USC 4502; 46 USC 4505 and 4506; 46 USC 8103

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/18/2011	76 FR 51317
NPRM Correction	09/20/2011	76 FR 58226
NPRM Comment Period End	11/16/2011	
Final Rule	02/14/2014	79 FR 8864
Final Rule Effective	03/17/2014	79 FR 8864

**Additional Information:** The docket number for this rulemaking is USCG-2010-0625. The docket can be found at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**RIN Information URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

RIN: 1625-AC07

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**Title:** Great Lakes Pilotage Rates--2014 Annual Review and Adjustment

**Abstract:** The Coast Guard proposed rate adjustments for 2014 pilotage services on the Great Lakes, which were last amended in February 2013. The proposed adjustments would establish new base rates and are made in accordance with a full ratemaking procedure. The proposed update reflects the Coast Guard exercising the discretion provided by Step 7 of the appendix A methodology. The result is an upward adjustment to match the rate increase of the Canadian Great Lakes Pilotage Authority. We also proposed adjusting weighting factors used to determine rates for vessels of different size, providing a procedure for temporary surcharges, and including dues paid to the American Pilots Association.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Completed Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 46 CFR 401 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations.](#))

**Legal Authority:** 46 USC 9303(f)

**Legal Deadline:**

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory	The statutory deadline is March 1st of each year.	03/01/2014

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/08/2013	78 FR 48374
NPRM Comment Period End	10/07/2013	
Final Rule	03/04/2014	79 FR 12084
Final Rule Effective	08/04/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**U.S. Coast Guard ( USCG )**

RIN: 1625-AC11

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**Title:** Waiver for Marking Sunken Vessels With a Light at Night

**Abstract:** This rulemaking revises Coast Guard regulations to implement section 301 of the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2004. This Act authorized the Commandant to waive the statutory requirement to mark sunken vessels with a light at night if the Commandant determines that placing a light would be impractical and waiving the requirement would not create an undue hazard to navigation. The Commandant has delegated to the Coast Guard District Commander in whose district the sunken vessel is located the authority to grant this waiver.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Completed Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 33 CFR 64 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#) )

**Legal Authority:** 14 USC 633; 33 USC 409; 33 USC 1231; 42 USC 9118; 43 USC 1333; Department of Homeland Security Delegation No 0170.1

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	05/28/2013	78 FR 31872
NPRM Comment Period End	07/29/2013	
Notice of Correction	09/10/2013	78 FR 55230
Final Rule	12/24/2013	78 FR 77587

**Additional Information:** The Coast Guard docket for this rulemaking is USCG-2012-0054

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** Business

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**RIN Information URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)

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**RIN:** 1651-AA97

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**Title:** Waiver of Passport and Visa Requirements Due to an Unforeseen Emergency

**Abstract:** This rule proposes to reinstate a 1996 amendment to 8 CFR 212.1(g) regarding a waiver of documentary requirements for nonimmigrants seeking admission to the United States. The 1996 amendment allowed the former Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) to waive passport and visa requirements due to an unforeseen emergency while preserving its ability to fine carriers for unlawfully transporting aliens to the United States who do not have a valid passport or visa. On November 20, 2009, the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit invalidated the 1996 amendment based on procedural grounds.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 212.1 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 212(a)(7)(B) INA (8 USC 1182(a)(7))

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
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RIN: 1651-AA98

 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Amendments to Importer Security Filing and Additional Carrier Requirements**Abstract:** The Importer Security Filing (ISF) regulations require carriers and importers to provide to CBP, via a CBP-approved electronic data interchange system, information necessary to assist CBP in identifying high-risk shipments to prevent smuggling and ensure cargo safety and security. Importers and carriers must currently submit specified information before the cargo is brought into the United States by vessel in accordance with specified time frames. To increase the accuracy and reliability of the advance information, this rule will propose changes to the ISF regulations.**Priority:** Other Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule**Major:** Undetermined**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 19 CFR 4.7c; 19 CFR 149.1 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** PL 109-347, sec 203; 5 USC 301; 19 USC 66; 19 USC 1431; 19 USC 1433; 19 USC 1434; 19 USC 1624; 19 USC 2071 (note); 46 USC 60105**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined**Government Levels Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**International Impacts:** This regulatory action will be likely to have international trade and investment effects, or otherwise be of international interest.**RIN Information URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)**Public Comment URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)**Related RINs:** Related to 1651-AA70**Agency Contact:** Craig Clark

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
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RIN: 1651-AA99

 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Nonimmigrant Classes: Temporary Visitors to the United States for Business or Pleasure**Abstract:** This is a proposal to amend the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) regulations pertaining to nonimmigrants admitted to the United States as temporary visitors for business (B-1) or pleasure (B-2). The proposed amendments will clarify the criteria for according B-1 or B-2 nonimmigrant classification to applicants for admission to the United States. Such clarification is necessary to ensure fair and consistent adjudication and enforcement, as well as to make the criteria more transparent.**Priority:** Other Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule**Major:** Undetermined**Unfunded Mandates:** Undetermined**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 214.2; 8 CFR 274a.12 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1101; 8 USC 1102; 8 USC 1103; 8 USC 1182; 8 USC 1184; 8 USC 1186a; 8 USC 1187; 8 USC 1221; 8 USC 1281; 8 USC 1282; 8 USC 1301 to 1305; 8 USC 1372; 48 USC 1901 (note) and 48 USC 1931 (note); 48 USC

1806; ...

**Legal Deadline: None****Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	02/00/2015	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined**Government Levels Affected:** Undetermined**Federalism:** Undetermined**Energy Affected:** No**International Impacts:** This regulatory action will be likely to have international trade and investment effects, or otherwise be of international interest.**Agency Contact:** Rafael Henry

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)****U.S. Customs and Border Protection ( USCBP )**

RIN: 1651-AB00

 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Small Vessel Reporting System**Abstract:** As part of CBP's comprehensive effort to improve the security of our nation's borders while enhancing legitimate travel, specifically for boaters, CBP is proposing to implement the Small Vessel Reporting System (SVRS) specifically in CBP regulations. SVRS is a web-based automated reporting system pilot for participant operators of small boats to expeditiously report their arrival in the United States from foreign places. SVRS enables participants to satisfy certain arrival reporting requirements by filing a float plan containing information about their voyage in advance of arrival, and then placing a telephone call to CBP upon arrival in the United States. This process will, in most cases, make it unnecessary for SVRS participants to also report for an in-person inspection upon arrival in the United States.**Priority:** Other Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 235.13 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1103; 8 USC 1225; 8 USC 1365b; 19 USC 1433**Legal Deadline: None****Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	10/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Agency Contact:** Cheryl C. Peters

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)****U.S. Customs and Border Protection ( USCBP )**

RIN: 1651-AA70

 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Importer Security Filing and Additional Carrier Requirements

**Abstract:** This final rule implements the provisions of section 203 of the Security and Accountability for Every Port Act of 2006. On November 25, 2008, CBP published an interim final rule (CBP Dec. 08–46) in the Federal Register (73 FR 71730), that finalized most of the provisions proposed in the NPRM. The interim final rule did not finalize six data elements that were identified as areas of potential concern for industry during the rulemaking process and, for which, CBP provided some type of flexibility for compliance with those data elements. CBP solicited public comment on these six data elements, is conducting a structured review, and also invited comments on the revised Regulatory Assessment and Final Regulatory Flexibility Analysis. [See 73 FR 71782-85 for regulatory text and 73 CFR 71733-34 for general discussion.] The remaining requirements of the rule were adopted as final. CBP plans to issue a final rule after CBP completes a structured review of the flexibilities and analyzes the comments.

**Priority:** Economically Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule**Major:** Yes**Unfunded Mandates:** Private Sector

**CFR Citation:** 19 CFR 4; 19 CFR 12.3; 19 CFR 18.5; 19 CFR 103.31a; 19 CFR 113; 19 CFR 123.92; 19 CFR 141.113; 19 CFR 146.32; 19 CFR 149; 19 CFR 192.14 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** PL 109-347, sec 203; 5 USC 301; 19 USC 66; 19 USC 1431; 19 USC 1433 to 1434; 19 USC 1624; 19 USC 2071 (note); 46 USC 60105

**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	01/02/2008	73 FR 90
NPRM Comment Period Extended	02/01/2008	73 FR 6061
NPRM Comment Period End	03/03/2008	
NPRM Comment Period End	03/18/2008	
Interim Final Rule	11/25/2008	73 FR 71730
Interim Final Rule Effective	01/26/2009	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	06/01/2009	
Correction	07/14/2009	74 FR 33920
Correction	12/24/2009	74 FR 68376
Final Action	02/00/2015	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Business**Government Levels Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No

**International Impacts:** This regulatory action will be likely to have international trade and investment effects, or otherwise be of international interest.

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
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RIN: 1651-AA72

 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Changes to the Visa Waiver Program To Implement the Electronic System for Travel Authorization (ESTA) Program

**Abstract:** On June 9, 2008, CBP issued an interim final rule which implemented the Electronic System for Travel Authorization (ESTA) for aliens who travel to the United States under the Visa Waiver Program (VWP) at air or sea ports of entry. Under the rule, VWP travelers must provide certain biographical information to CBP electronically before departing for the United States. This advance information allows CBP to determine before their departure whether these travelers are eligible to travel to the United States under the VWP and whether such travel poses a security risk. The interim final rule also fulfilled the requirements

of section 711 of the Implementing recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 (9/11 Act). In addition to fulfilling a statutory mandate, the rule served the two goals of promoting border security and legitimate travel to the United States. By modernizing the VWP, the ESTA increases national security and provides for greater efficiencies in the screening of international travelers by allowing for vetting of subjects of potential interest well before boarding, thereby reducing traveler delays at the ports of entry. CBP requested comments on all aspects of the interim final rule and plans to issue a final rule after completion of the comment analysis.

**Priority:** Economically Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** Yes

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 217.5 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#) )

**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1103; 8 USC 1187

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Action	06/09/2008	73 FR 32440
Interim Final Rule Effective	08/08/2008	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	08/08/2008	
Notice--Announcing Date Rule Becomes Mandatory	11/13/2008	73 FR 67354
Final Action	09/00/2014	

**Additional Information:** [http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/travel/id\\_visas/esta/](http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/travel/id_visas/esta/)

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**International Impacts:** This regulatory action will be likely to have international trade and investment effects, or otherwise be of international interest.

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)  
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**RIN:** 1651-AA77

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**Title:** Implementation of the Guam-CNMI Visa Waiver Program

**Abstract:** The IFR (or the final rule planned for the coming year) rule amends Department of Homeland Security (DHS) regulations to implement section 702 of the Consolidated Natural Resources Act of 2008 (CNRA). This law extends the immigration laws of the United States to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) and provides for a joint visa waiver program for travel to Guam and the CNMI. This rule implements section 702 of the CNRA by amending the regulations to replace the current Guam Visa Waiver Program with a new Guam-CNMI Visa Waiver Program. The amended regulations set forth the requirements for nonimmigrant visitors who seek admission for business or pleasure and solely for entry into and stay on Guam or the CNMI without a visa. This rule also establishes six ports of entry in the CNMI for purposes of administering and enforcing the Guam-CNMI Visa Waiver Program. Section 702 of the Consolidated Natural Resources Act of 2008 (CNRA), subject to a transition period, extends the immigration laws of the United States to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) and provides for a visa waiver program for travel to Guam and/or the CNMI. On January 16, 2009, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Customs and Border Protection (CBP), issued an interim final rule in the Federal Register replacing the then-existing Guam Visa Waiver Program with the Guam-CNMI Visa Waiver Program and setting forth the requirements for nonimmigrant visitors seeking admission into Guam and/or the CNMI under the Guam-CNMI Visa Waiver Program. As of November 28, 2009, the Guam-CNMI Visa Waiver Program is operational. This program allows nonimmigrant visitors from eligible countries to seek admission for business or pleasure for entry into Guam and/or the CNMI without a visa for a period of authorized stay not to exceed forty-five days. This rulemaking would finalize the January 2009

interim final rule.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** Yes

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 100.4; 8 CFR 212.1; 8 CFR 233.5; 8 CFR 235.5; 19 CFR 4.7b; 19 CFR 122.49a (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** PL 110-229, sec 702

**Legal Deadline:**

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory	PL 110-229	11/04/2008

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	01/16/2009	74 FR 2824
Interim Final Rule Effective	01/16/2009	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	03/17/2009	
Technical Amendment; Change of Implementation Date	05/28/2009	74 FR 25387
Final Action	02/00/2015	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**International Impacts:** This regulatory action will be likely to have international trade and investment effects, or otherwise be of international interest.

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RIN: 1651-AA81

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**Title:** Clarification of Countries and Geographic Areas Eligible for Participation in the Guam-Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Visa Waiver Program

**Abstract:** This rule amends Department of Homeland Security (DHS) regulations to clarify that individuals holding British National (Overseas) (BN(O)) passports are eligible for participation in the Guam-Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) Visa Waiver Program. The Guam-CNMI Visa Waiver Program allows certain nonimmigrant aliens to enter Guam and/or the CNMI as nonimmigrant visitors for business or pleasure without a visa for a period of authorized stay not to exceed forty-five days.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 212.1 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** PL 110-229, sec 702

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	03/23/2011	76 FR 16231
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	05/23/2011	
Interim Final Rule Effective	05/23/2011	
Final Action	02/00/2015	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**International Impacts:** This regulatory action will be likely to have international trade and investment effects, or otherwise be of international interest.**RIN Information URL:** www.regulations.gov**Public Comment URL:** www.regulations.gov**Related RINs:** Related to 1651-AA77

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
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RIN: 1651-AA83

 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Electronic System for Travel Authorization (ESTA): Fee for Use of the System

**Abstract:** Under the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) regulations, nonimmigrant aliens who wish to enter the United States under the Visa Waiver Program at air or sea ports of entry must obtain a travel authorization electronically through the Electronic System for Travel Authorization (ESTA) from Customs and Border Protection prior to departing for the United States. This rule amends the DHS regulations to require ESTA applicants to pay a fee. The fee is authorized by section 711 of the Implementing the Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 (9/11 Act) and mandated by the Travel Promotion Act and consists of the sum of \$10 per travel authorization and an amount that will at least ensure recovery of the full costs of providing and administering the ESTA system. This document also announces the amount of the fee.

**Priority:** Economically Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule**Major:** Yes**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 217.5(a) (revision); 8 CFR 217.5(h) (new) (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** PL 110-53, sec 711, 9/11 Act; 8 USC 1187; PL 111-145**Legal Deadline:**

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory	According to Public Law 111-145 (March 4, 2010) DHS must establish a fee and begin assessment and collection of the fee no later than 6 months after the date of enactment.	09/04/2010

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	08/09/2010	75 FR 47701
Interim Final Rule Effective	09/08/2010	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	10/08/2010	
Final Rule	09/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**International Impacts:** This regulatory action will be likely to have international trade and investment effects, or otherwise be of international interest.**RIN Information URL:** www.regulations.gov**Public Comment URL:** www.regulations.gov**Related RINs:** Related to 1651-AA72

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
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RIN: 1651-AA89

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**Title:** Exemption From Entry Requirements for Certain Department of Defense Vessels and Aircraft

**Abstract:** Under current regulations, certain vessels and aircraft owned or chartered by the Department of Defense (DoD) are exempt from entry requirements and, in some cases, reporting requirements upon their arrival in the United States from a foreign place. The exemptions generally apply when the vessel or aircraft is transporting cargo that is solely the property of the DoD or when it is transporting passengers traveling on official business of the United States. This rule would revise the criteria for applying these exemptions to better address the manner in which the DoD moves cargo and passengers in support of its missions. Under the rule, CBP is considering whether to revise the entry exemption to make it apply to certain DoD-owned or chartered vessels and aircraft carrying cargo and/or passengers approved for carriage in the Defense Transportation System (DTS), the secure system used by DoD to move cargo and passengers in support of DoD's missions. Additionally, CBP is considering whether certain DoD-owned vessels that are transporting only passengers and/or cargo approved for carriage in the DTS should also be exempt from reporting their arrival.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 19 CFR 4.0(h); 19 CFR 4.5; 19 CFR 122.1(n); 19 CFR 122.41 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 19 USC 1433; 19 USC 1434; 19 USC 1441; 19 USC 1644a

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	02/09/2012	77 FR 6704
NPRM Comment Period End	04/09/2012	
Final Rule	10/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

**Federalism:** No

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**U.S. Customs and Border Protection ( USCBP )**

RIN: 1651-AA96

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**Title:** Definition of Form I-94 to Include Electronic Format

**Abstract:** Currently, CBP generally issues the Form I-94 to aliens at the time they lawfully enter the United States. CBP is transitioning to an automated process whereby it will create a Form I-94 in an electronic format based on passenger, passport, and visa information currently obtained electronically from air and sea carriers and the Department of State as well as through the inspection process. The Form I-94 is issued by DHS to certain aliens upon arrival in the United States or when changing status in the United States. The Form I-94 is used to document arrival and departure and provides evidence of the terms of admission or parole. Prior to this rule, the Form I-94 was solely a paper form that was completed by the alien upon arrival. After the implementation of the Advance Passenger Information System (APIS) following 9/11, CBP began collecting information on

aliens traveling by air or sea to the United States electronically from carriers in advance of arrival. For aliens arriving in the United States by air or sea, CBP obtains almost all of the information contained on the paper Form I-94 electronically and in advance via APIS. The few fields on the Form I-94 that are not collected via APIS are either already collected by the Department of State and transmitted to CBP or can be collected by the CBP Officer from the individual at the time of inspection. This means that CBP no longer needs to collect Form I-94 information as a matter of course directly from aliens traveling to the United States by air or sea. At this time, the automated process will apply only to aliens arriving at air and sea ports of entry.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 1.4; 8 CFR 264.1(b) (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1101; 8 USC 1103; 8 USC 1201; 8 USC 1301; 8 USC 1303 to 1305; 5 USC 301; PL 107-296, 116 stat 2135; 6 USC 1 et seq

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	03/27/2013	78 FR 18457
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	04/26/2013	
Interim Final Rule Effective	04/26/2013	
Final Action	10/00/2014	

**Additional Information:** Includes Retrospective Review under E.O. 13563

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**International Impacts:** This regulatory action will be likely to have international trade and investment effects, or otherwise be of international interest.

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**U.S. Customs and Border Protection (USCBP)**

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**Title:** The U.S. Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Business Travel Card Program

**Abstract:** Pursuant to the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Business Travel Cards Act of 2011 and the APEC Business Travel Card Operating Framework, U.S. Customs and Border Protection is establishing the U.S. Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Business Travel Card Program. APEC is an economic forum whose primary goal is to support sustainable economic growth and prosperity in the Asia-Pacific region. APEC is comprised of 21 members, including the United States. One of APEC's initiatives is the APEC Business Travel Card Program. The U.S. APEC Business Travel Card Program will enable eligible persons access to fast-track immigration lanes at foreign APEC economies. This rule sets forth the eligibility requirements and the application procedures and fee.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** PL 112-54; 125 Stat 550

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite

Interim Final Rule	05/00/2014	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	06/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**International Impacts:** This regulatory action will be likely to have international trade and investment effects, or otherwise be of international interest.

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**U.S. Customs and Border Protection ( USCBP )**

RIN: 1651-AA88

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**Title:** Morses Line Border Crossing

**Abstract:** CBP officers are currently stationed at Morses Line, Vermont, a border crossing located within the port limits of the port of entry of Highgate Springs/Alburg, Vermont, to accept entries of merchandise, collect duties, and enforce the various provisions of the customs, navigation, and immigration laws. As an aging facility, the Morses Line border crossing no longer meets operational, safety, and technology standards. Extensive and costly upgrades would be required to bring the border crossing in line with modern requirements. Based on internal analyses, feedback from many individuals in the local community, and consultation with members of Congress, DHS is evaluating the potential closure of the Morses Line border crossing.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 100.4(a) (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1103; 19 USC 2; 19 USC 66; 19 USC 1624**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
ANPRM	10/05/2011	76 FR 61622
ANPRM Comment Period End	12/05/2011	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** Federal**Federalism:** No**International Impacts:** This regulatory action will be likely to have international trade and investment effects, or otherwise be of international interest.**RIN Information URL:** www.regulations.gov**Public Comment URL:** www.regulations.gov

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**Transportation Security Administration ( TSA )**

RIN: 1652-AA53

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**Title:** General Aviation Security and Other Aircraft Operator Security

**Abstract:** On October 30, 2008 (73 FR 64790), the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM), proposing to amend current aviation transportation security regulations to enhance the security of general aviation by expanding the scope of current requirements, and by adding new requirements for certain large aircraft operators and airports serving those aircraft. TSA also proposed that all aircraft operations, including corporate and private charter operations, with aircraft having a maximum certificated takeoff weight (MTOW) above 12,500 pounds (large aircraft) be required to adopt a large aircraft security program. TSA also proposed to require certain airports that serve large aircraft to adopt security programs. After considering comments received on the NPRM and sponsoring public meetings with stakeholders, TSA decided to revise the original proposal to tailor security requirements to the general aviation industry. TSA is preparing a supplemental NPRM (SNPRM), which will include a comment period for public comments. TSA is considering the following proposed provisions in the SNPRM: (1) security measures for foreign aircraft operators commensurate with measures for U.S. operators, (2) the type of aircraft subject to TSA regulation, (3) compliance oversight, (4) watch list matching of passengers, (5) prohibited items, (6) scope of the background check requirements and the procedures used to implement the requirement, and (7) other issues.

**Priority:** Economically Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule**Major:** Yes**Unfunded Mandates:** Private Sector**CFR Citation:** 49 CFR 1515; 49 CFR 1520; 49 CFR 1522; 49 CFR 1540; 49 CFR 1542; 49 CFR 1544; 49 CFR 1550 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 6 USC 469; 18 USC 842; 18 USC 845; 46 USC 70102 to 70106; 46 USC 70117; 49 USC 114; 49 USC 114(f)(3); 49 USC 5103; 49 USC 5103a; 49 USC 40113; 49 USC 44901 to 44907; 49 USC 44913 to 44914; 49 USC 44916 to 44918; 49 USC 44932; 49 USC 44935 to 44936; 49 USC 44942; 49 USC 46105**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	10/30/2008	73 FR 64790
Notice--NPRM Comment Period Extended	11/25/2008	73 FR 71590
Notice--Public Meetings; Requests for Comments	12/18/2008	73 FR 77045
NPRM Comment Period End	12/29/2008	
NPRM Extended Comment Period End	02/27/2009	
Supplemental NPRM	12/00/2014	

**Additional Information:** Public Meetings held on: Jan. 6, 2009, at White Plains, NY; Jan. 8, 2009, at Atlanta, GA; Jan 16, 2009, at Chicago, IL; Jan. 23, 2009, at Burbank, CA; and Jan. 28, 2009, at Houston, TX. Additional Comment Sessions held in Arlington, VA, on April 16, 2009, May 6, 2009, and June 15, 2009.

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Business**Government Levels Affected:** Local**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**International Impacts:** This regulatory action will be likely to have international trade and investment effects, or otherwise be of international interest.**Public Comment URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)**Related RINs:** Related to 1652-AA03; Related to 1652-AA04**Agency Contact:** Zach Carder

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**Transportation Security Administration ( TSA )**

RIN: 1652-AA55

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**Title:** Security Training for Surface Mode Employees

**Abstract:** The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) intends to propose a new regulation to address the security of freight railroads, public transportation, passenger railroads, and over-the-road buses in accordance with the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 (9/11 Act). As required by the 9/11 Act, the rulemaking will propose that certain railroads, public transportation agencies, and over-the-road bus companies provide security training to their frontline employees in the areas of security awareness, operational security, incident prevention and response, and security exercises that test effectiveness of training. The rulemaking will also propose extending security coordinator and reporting security incident requirements applicable to rail operators under current 49 CFR part 1580 to the non-rail transportation components of covered public transportation agencies and over-the-road buses. The regulation will take into consideration any current security training requirements or best practices.

**Priority:** Economically Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule

**Major:** Yes

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 49 CFR 1520; 49 CFR 1570; 49 CFR 1580; 49 CFR 1582 (new); 49 CFR 1584 (new) (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 49 USC 114; PL 110-53, secs 1408, 1517, and 1534

**Legal Deadline:** According to sec. 1408 of Public Law 110-53, Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 (Aug. 3, 2007; 121 Stat. 266), interim final regulations for public transportation agencies are due 90 days after the date of enactment (Nov. 1, 2007), and final regulations are due 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act. According to sec. 1517 of the same Act, final regulations for railroads and over-the-road buses are due no later than 6 months after the date of enactment.

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory	Interim Rule for public transportation agencies is due 90 days after date of enactment.	11/01/2007
Other	Statutory	Rule for railroads and over-the-road buses are due 6 months after date of enactment.	02/03/2008
Other	Statutory	Rule for public transportation agencies is due 1 year after date of enactment.	08/03/2008

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Business

**Government Levels Affected:** Local

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**Transportation Security Administration ( TSA )**

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**Title:** Freight Railroads and Passenger Railroads--Vulnerability Assessment and Security Plan

**Abstract:** The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will propose a new regulation to address the security of freight railroads and passenger railroads in accordance with the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 (9/11 Act). As required by the 9/11 Act, the rulemaking will propose requirements for vulnerability assessments and security plans for owner/operators of higher-risk railroads. The proposed requirements include procedures for TSA's review and approval of these assessments and plans, and recordkeeping requirements. The regulation will take into consideration any current security assessment and planning requirements or best practices.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule

**Major:** Undetermined

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 49 CFR 1520; 49 CFR 1570; 49 CFR 1580; 49 CFR 1582 (new) (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 49 USC 114; PL 110-53, sec 1512

**Legal Deadline:** According to section 1512 of Public Law 110-53, Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 (Aug. 3, 2007; 121 Stat. 266), a final regulation for freight railroads and passenger railroads is due no later than 12 months after the date of enactment of the Act.

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory	Rule for freight railroads and passenger railroads is due no later than 12 months after date of enactment.	08/03/2008

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined

**Government Levels Affected:** Local

**Federalism:** Undetermined

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**Transportation Security Administration ( TSA )**

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**Title:** Standardized Vetting, Adjudication, and Redress Services

**Abstract:** The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) intends to propose new regulations to revise and standardize the procedures, adjudication criteria, and fees for most of the security threat assessments (STA) of individuals for which TSA is responsible. The scope of the rulemaking will include transportation workers from all modes of transportation who are required to undergo an STA, including surface maritime and aviation workers. In accordance with the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 (9/11 Act), the notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) will address STAs for frontline employees for public transportation agencies and railroad. In addition, TSA will propose fees to cover the cost of all STAs. TSA plans to improve efficiencies in processing STAs and streamline existing regulations by simplifying language and removing redundancies. As part of this proposed rule, TSA will propose revisions to the Alien Flight Student Program (AFSP) regulations. TSA published an interim final rule for ASFP on September 20, 2004. TSA regulations require aliens seeking to train at Federal Aviation Administration-regulated flight schools to complete an application and undergo an STA prior to beginning flight training. There are four categories under which students currently fall; the nature of the STA depends on the student's category. TSA is considering changes to the AFSP that would improve the equity among fee payers and enable the implementation of new technologies to support vetting.

**Priority:** Economically Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule

**Major:** Yes

**Unfunded Mandates:** Undetermined

**CFR Citation:** Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#) )

**Legal Authority:** 49 USC 114, 5103A, 44903 and 44936; 46 USC 70105; 6 USC 469; PL 110-53, secs 1411, 1414, 1520, 1522 and 1602

**Legal Deadline: None****Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	02/00/2015	

**Additional Information:** Includes Retrospective Review under E.O. 13563.

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Business

**Government Levels Affected:** Undetermined

**Federalism:** Undetermined

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**Transportation Security Administration ( TSA )**

**RIN:** 1652-AA01

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**Title:** Aviation Security Infrastructure Fees (ASIF)

**Abstract:** Section 601(a) of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013, Div. A., Public Law 113-67 (127 Stat. 1165, Dec. 26, 2013) amends 49 U.S.C. 44940(a)(2), eliminating provisions relating to imposition of a fee on air carriers and foreign air carriers, known as the Aviation Security Infrastructure Fee (ASIF). The repeal of this subsection is effective beginning October 1, 2014. The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will amend 49 CFR part 1511 as necessary.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** Undetermined

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 49 CFR 1511 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 49 USC 114; 49 USC 40113; 49 USC 44901; 49 USC 44940

**Legal Deadline: None**

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule Effective	02/18/2002	
Interim Final Rule	02/20/2002	67 FR 7926

Interim Final Rule; Fed Reg Correction	02/25/2002	67 FR 8579
Notice--Information Collection; Approval	02/28/2002	67 FR 9355
Interim Final Rule; Comment Period End	03/18/2002	
Interim Final Rule; Comment Period Extended	03/20/2002	67 FR 12954
Interim Final Rule; Extension of Comment Period End	04/02/2002	
Notice--Guidance Appendix A	05/01/2002	67 FR 21582
Notice-Information Collection; 60-Day New Collection	01/27/2004	69 FR 3938
Notice-Information Collection; 30-Day New Collection	05/18/2004	69 FR 28141
Notice-Information Collection; 60-Day Renewal	05/09/2007	72 FR 26417
Notice-Information Collection; 30-Day Renewal	09/06/2007	72 FR 51238
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Notice-Information Collection; 60-Day Renewal Records Retention	10/26/2012	77 FR 65394
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Final Rule	05/00/2014	

**Additional Information:** Transferred from RIN 2110-AA02.

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**Transportation Security Administration ( TSA )**

**RIN:** 1652-AA67

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**Title:** Passenger Screening Using Advanced Imaging Technology

**Abstract:** The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) intends to issue a final rule to address whether screening and inspection of an individual, conducted to control access to the sterile area of an airport or to an aircraft, may include the use of advanced imaging technology (AIT). The NPRM was published on March 26, 2012, to comply with the decision rendered by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit in *Electronic Privacy Information Center (EPIC) v. U.S. Department of Homeland Security* on July 15, 2011. 653 F.3d 1 (D.C. Cir. 2011). The Court directed TSA to conduct notice and comment rulemaking on the use of AIT in the primary screening of passengers.

**Priority:** Economically Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule**Major:** Yes**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 49 CFR 1540.107 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 49 USC 44925**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	03/26/2013	78 FR 18287
NPRM Comment Period End	06/24/2013	
Final Rule	10/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** No**Small Entities Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No**Public Comment URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)**Agency Contact:** Chawanna Carrington

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**Abstract:** The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) is issuing a final rule to implement the increase to the passenger civil aviation security service fee (security service fee) mandated by the amendments to 49 U.S.C. 44940 enacted as part of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013, Div. A (Budget Act). TSA currently imposes a fee of up to \$2.50 per enplanement, as long as the total fee per one-way trip does not exceed \$5.00. Beginning July 1, 2014, the Budget Act requires TSA to impose a mandatory fee of \$5.60 per one-way trip. Beginning July 1, 2014, if any part of that passenger's itinerary includes air transportation or intrastate air transportation originating at an airport in the United States, the passenger is required by statute to pay \$5.60 per one-way trip.

**Priority:** Economically Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule**Major:** Yes**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 49 CFR 1510 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** PL 113-67, sec 601; 49 USC 44940

**Legal Deadline:** The Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013, Div. A., sec. 601 (Pub. L. 113-67, 127 Stat. 1165), signed by the President on December 26, 2013, requires TSA to implement the fee increase beginning on July 1, 2014, and to do so by publication of notice of the fee in the Federal Register, "notwithstanding [31 U.S.C. 9701] and the procedural requirements of [5 U.S.C. 553]."

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory	Statutory mandate for changes to take effect on 7/1/2014	07/01/2014

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Rule	06/00/2014	
Final Rule Effective	07/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)  
Transportation Security Administration ( TSA )**

**RIN:** 1652-AA08

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**Title:** Protection of Sensitive Security Information (SSI)

**Abstract:** The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will issue a rulemaking document to respond to comments received on the interim final rule (IFR) issued May 18, 2004. In the IFR, published jointly with the Office of the Secretary of Transportation (OST) in May 2004, TSA revised its Sensitive Security Information (SSI) regulations to expand the 2002 regulatory framework governing information generally related to aviation security to cover information related to security in maritime transportation, consistent with the security framework required by the U.S. Coast Guard's regulations implementing the Maritime Transportation Security Act (MTSA). This expansion was the main theme of the IFR. However, the IFR also continued TSA's 2002 regulations coverage for vulnerability assessments and, with some changes, certain other SSI for all modes. TSA and OST issued a technical amendment to the IFR in January 2005 to address provisions of the regulations that inadvertently restricted sharing of SSI. Specifically, the amendment removed the limiting words "aviation or maritime" from 49 CFR 15.11 and 49 CFR 1520.11 in order to clearly permit the sharing of vulnerability assessments and other documents properly designated as SSI with covered persons who meet the need-to-know requirements regardless of mode of transportation.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 49 CFR 15; 49 CFR 1520 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 49 USC 114; 49 USC 5103; 49 USC 40119; 49 USC 44901 to 44907; 49 USC 44913 and 44914; 49 USC 44916 to 44918; 49 USC 44935 and 44936; 49 USC 44942; 49 USC 46105

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
Interim Final Rule; Request for Comments	05/18/2004	69 FR 28066
Interim Final Rule Effective	06/17/2004	
Interim Final Rule; Comment Period End	07/19/2004	
Technical Amendment	01/07/2005	70 FR 1379

**Additional Information:** Joint rulemaking with Department of Transportation, Office of the Secretary (RIN No. 2105-AD33) Transferred from RIN 2110-AA10

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**RIN Information URL:** www.regulations.gov

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**Related RINs:** Related to 1652-AA05; Related to 1652-AA49

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**

**Transportation Security Administration ( TSA )**

**RIN:** 1652-AA35

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**Title:** Flight Training for Aliens and Other Designated Individuals; Security Awareness Training for Flight School Employees

**Abstract:** The interim final rule (IFR) was published and effective on September 20, 2004 (69 FR 56324). The IFR created a new part 1552, Flight Schools, in title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). This IFR applies to flight schools and to individuals who apply for or receive flight training. After comments were received, exemptions and interpretations were issued. The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) also issued a notice on April 13, 2009, that prescribes fees for processing requests from alien flight students who take recurrent training. In the IFR, TSA requires flight schools to notify TSA when aliens and other individuals designated by TSA apply for flight training or recurrent training. TSA has established standards relating to the security threat assessment process that TSA will conduct to determine whether such individuals are a threat to aviation or national security, and thus prohibited from receiving flight training. In addition, TSA has established a fee to cover a portion of the costs of the security threat assessments that TSA will perform under this rule. Finally, TSA has established standards for security awareness training for certain flight school employees.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 49 CFR 1552 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 6 USC 469(b); 49 USC 114; 49 USC 44939; 49 USC 46105

**Legal Deadline:** Requires the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) to establish a process to implement the requirements of section 612(a) of Vision 100-Century of Aviation Reauthorization Act (Pub. L. 108-176, Dec. 12, 2003; 117 Stat. 2490), including the fee provisions, not later than 60 days after the enactment of the Act.

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory	section 612(a) of Vision 100 requires TSA to issue an interim final rule within 60 days of enactment of Vision 100.	02/10/2004

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		

Interim Final Rule; Request for Comments	09/20/2004	69 FR 56324
Interim Final Rule Effective	09/20/2004	
Interim Final Rule; Comment Period End	10/20/2004	
Notice--Information Collection; 60-Day Renewal	11/26/2004	69 FR 68952
Notice--Information Collection; 30-Day Renewal	03/30/2005	70 FR 16298
Notice--Information Collection; 60-Day Renewal	06/06/2008	73 FR 32346
Notice--Information Collection; 30-Day Renewal	08/13/2008	73 FR 47203
Notice--Alien Flight Student Program Recurrent Training Fees	04/13/2009	74 FR 16880
Notice-Information Collection; 60-Day Renewal	09/21/2011	76 FR 58531
Notice-Information Collection; 30-Day Renewal	01/31/2012	77 FR 4822

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**

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**RIN:** 1652-AA49

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**Title:** Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport: Enhanced Security Procedures for Certain Operations

**Abstract:** The Interim Final Rule (IFR), published by the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) on July 19, 2005, creates a new part 1562, subpart B, for General Aviation (GA), in title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). TSA plans to take final action on the interim final rule to respond to the public comments and close out this rulemaking. The IFR restores access to Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport (DCA) for certain aircraft operations, while maintaining the security of critical

Federal Government and other assets in the Washington, DC, Metropolitan Area. From September 11, 2001, until the IFR became effective on August 18, 2005, general aviation aircraft operations had been prohibited at DCA. This rule applies to all passenger aircraft operations into or out of DCA, except foreign air carrier operations functioning under 49 CFR part 1546.101(a) or (b) and U.S. air carrier operations operating under a full security program required by 49 CFR part 1544. The rule establishes security procedures for GA aircraft operators and gateway airport operators, and security requirements relating to crewmembers, passengers, and armed security officers onboard aircraft operating to or from DCA.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 49 CFR 1520; 49 CFR 1540; 49 CFR 1562 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))

**Legal Authority:** 46 USC 70102 to 70106; 46 USC 70117; 49 USC 114; 49 USC 5103; 49 USC 40113 and 40114; 49 USC 44901 to 44907; 49 USC 44913 and 44914; 49 USC 44916 to 44918; 49 USC 44935 and 44936; 49 USC 44942; 49 USC 46105

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
Interim Final Rule; Request for Comments	07/19/2005	70 FR 41586
Interim Final Rule Effective	08/18/2005	
Notice--Information Collection; Approval and 60-Day Renewal	08/26/2005	70 FR 50391
Interim Final Rule; Comment Period End	09/19/2005	
Notice--Information Collection; 30-Day Renewal	10/26/2005	70 FR 61831
Notice--Information Collection; 60-Day Renewal	10/20/2008	73 FR 62304
Notice--Information Collection; 30-Day Renewal	12/29/2008	73 FR 79499
Notice--Information Collection; 60-Day Renewal	02/29/2012	77 FR 12321
Notice--Information Collection; 30-Day Renewal	04/27/2012	77 FR 25188

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined

**Government Levels Affected:** Undetermined

**Small Entities Affected:** Business; Organizations

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Title:** Drivers Licensed by Canada or Mexico Transporting Hazardous Materials to and Within the United States

**Abstract:** The Interim Final Rule (IFR), published by the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) on August 7, 2006, announced that a commercial motor vehicle driver licensed in Canada or Mexico who holds a Free and Secure Trade (FAST) program card may use that card as an acceptable credential to transport placarded amounts of hazardous materials or any quantity of a material listed as a select agent or toxin in 42 CFR part 73 within the United States. The Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) requires that, as of August 10, 2006, commercial motor vehicle drivers licensed in Canada or Mexico who transport hazardous materials in the United States must undergo a background check similar to the one required of U.S.-licensed operators with a hazardous materials endorsement (HME) on a commercial driver's license (CDL). This rule announced TSA's determination that the background check required to obtain a credential under the FAST program meets the background check requirements of SAFETEA-LU. The interim rule also removed TSA's preexisting 49 CFR 1572.201 procedures for commercial drivers licensed in Canada who transport explosives into the United States (see RIN 1652-AA16).

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 49 CFR 1572.201 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 49 USC 5103a(h)

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
Interim Final Rule, Part VI	08/07/2006	71 FR 44874
Interim Final Rule Effective	08/10/2006	
Interim Final Rule; Comment Period End	10/06/2006	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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Transportation Security Administration ( TSA )**

RIN: 1652-AA38

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**Title:** Aircraft Repair Station Security

**Abstract:** With the Final Rule, TSA requires certain repair stations located on or adjacent to an airport to adopt limited security

measures to prevent the unauthorized operation of large aircraft left unattended. All repair stations certificated under part 145 of FAA's regulations must submit to security inspections and audits and implement security directives if issued by TSA.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Completed Action

**Major:** Yes

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 49 CFR 1554 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 49 USC 114; 49 USC 44924

**Legal Deadline:** Section 611(b)(1) of Vision 100--Century of Aviation Reauthorization Act (Pub. L. 108-176; Dec. 12, 2003; 117 Stat. 2490), codified at 49 U.S.C. 44924, requires that TSA issue "final regulations to ensure the security of foreign and domestic aircraft repair stations." Section 1616 of the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 (Pub. L. 110-531; Aug. 3, 2007; 21 Stat. 266) requires TSA issue a final rule on foreign repair station security.

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory	Rule within 240 days of the date of enactment of Vision 100.	08/08/2004
Other	Statutory	Rule within 1 year after the date of enactment of 9/11 Commission Act.	08/03/2008

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Notice--Public Meeting; Request for Comments	02/24/2004	69 FR 8357
Report to Congress	08/24/2004	
NPRM	11/18/2009	74 FR 59873
NPRM Comment Period Extended	12/29/2009	74 FR 68774
NPRM Comment Period End	01/19/2010	
NPRM Extended Comment Period End	02/19/2010	
Final Rule	01/13/2014	79 FR 2119
Final Rule Effective	02/27/2014	79 FR 2119

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Business

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**International Impacts:** This regulatory action will be likely to have international trade and investment effects, or otherwise be of international interest.

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**Title:** Modification of the Aviation Security Infrastructure Fee (ASIF) (Market Share)

**Abstract:** This rulemaking is no longer needed, because section 601(a) of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013, Div. A., Public Law 113-67 (127 Stat. 1165, Dec. 26, 2013) repeals the Aviation Security Infrastructure Fee (ASIF) effective as of October 1, 2014. Accordingly, TSA is withdrawing this rulemaking.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Completed Action

**Major:** Undetermined

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 49 CFR 1511 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 49 USC 44901; 49 USC 44924

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Notice; Requesting Comment-Imposition of the Aviation Security Infrastructure Fee (ASIF)	11/05/2003	68 FR 62613
Notice--Imposition of ASIF; Comment Period Extended	12/31/2003	68 FR 75611
Notice--Imposition of ASIF; Comment Period End	01/05/2004	
Notice--Imposition of ASIF; Extended Comment Period End	02/05/2004	
Withdrawn	02/11/2014	

**Additional Information:** Included in Retrospective Review under E.O. 13563.

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Business

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**International Impacts:** This regulatory action will be likely to have international trade and investment effects, or otherwise be of international interest.

**Public Comment URL:** [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov)

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 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Optional Practical Training for F-1 Nonimmigrant Students With Prior STEM Degrees**Abstract:** Through this change in regulation, the Department of Homeland Security proposes to enable F-1 nonimmigrant students on post-completion optional practical training (OPT) to qualify for the 17-month extension based on either a prior STEM (science, technology, engineering, or mathematics) degree or the most recent degree granted if in a STEM field.**Priority:** Other Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule**Major:** Undetermined**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 214.2(f) (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1101; 8 USC 1102**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined**Government Levels Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Agency Contact:** Katherine H. Westerlund

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E-Mail: [katherine.h.westerlund@ice.dhs.gov](mailto:katherine.h.westerlund@ice.dhs.gov)**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)****U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement ( USICE )****RIN:** 1653-AA68 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Classification and Clarification of Form I-9 Substantive and Technical or Procedural Paperwork Failures and Violations**Abstract:** The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) proposes to amend its regulations to classify and clarify certain Form I-9, Employment Eligibility Verification (Form I-9) paperwork failures and violations set forth in the good faith compliance provision of section 411 of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 (IIRIRA), Public Law 104-208. This proposed rule would define a substantive violation, and a technical or procedural failure. The proposed rule further would revise the current DHS regulations that delineate the circumstances in which an employer may be subject to penalties for substantive violations, or may not be subject to penalties for technical or procedural failures, due to the good faith compliance provision when completing the Form I-9 regardless of the method of creation, retention, and storage of the Form I-9.**Priority:** Other Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule**Major:** Undetermined**Unfunded Mandates:** Undetermined**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 274a (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1101; 8 USC 1103; 8 USC 1324a**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined**Government Levels Affected:** Federal**Federalism:** No**Agency Contact:** Rachel Ross

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement ( USICE )**

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**Title:** Strengthening Oversight of F and M Nonimmigrant Students and Schools Certified to Enroll Them

**Abstract:** The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) proposes to improve the capability of the Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) to oversee F and M students and designated school officials at schools certified to enroll them. To improve program oversight, DHS plans to institute new eligibility and training requirements for designated school officials (DSOs). In addition, DHS may propose new reporting requirements for certain F and M nonimmigrant students engaging in flight training classes.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule

**Major:** Undetermined

**Unfunded Mandates:** Undetermined

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 214.2(f)(6); 8 CFR 214.2(m)(9); 8 CFR 214.3; 8 CFR 214.4 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1101(a)(15)(F); 8 USC 1101(a)(15)(M); 8 USC 1103

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	04/00/2015	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
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RIN: 1653-AA63

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**Title:** Adjustments to Limitations on Designated School Official Assignment and Study By F-2 and M-2 Nonimmigrants

**Abstract:** This final rule will revise 8 CFR parts 214.2 and 214.3. As proposed, it would provide additional flexibility to schools in determining the number of designated school officials (DSOs) to nominate for the oversight of the school's campuses where international students are enrolled. Current regulation limits the number of DSOs to 10 per school, or 10 per campus in a multi-campus school. Second, as proposed, the rule would permit F-2 and M-2 spouses and children accompanying academic and vocational nonimmigrant students with F-1 or M-1 nonimmigrant status to enroll in study at an SEVP-certified school so long as any study remains less than a full course of study.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 214.2(f)(15); 8 CFR 214.3(a); 8 CFR 214 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1101 to 1103; 8 USC 1182; 8 USC 1184

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/21/2013	78 FR 69778
NPRM Comment Period End	01/21/2014	
Final Action	11/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**International Impacts:** This regulatory action will be likely to have international trade and investment effects, or otherwise be of international interest.**RIN Information URL:** www.regulations.gov**Public Comment URL:** www.regulations.gov**Related RINs:** Previously Reported as 1615-AA19**Agency Contact:** Katherine H. Westerlund

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)****U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement ( USICE )**

RIN: 1653-AA66

 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** New Treasury Determination of Interest Rate for Cash Deposits to Secure Immigration Bonds**Abstract:** The Department will amend its regulations at 8 CFR part 293 addressing the payment of interest on cash bond deposits to explicitly authorize the Department of the Treasury to set the interest rate directly. This action is consistent with Treasury's statutory authority.**Priority:** Other Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule**Major:** Undetermined**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 293 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1363**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	10/28/2013	78 FR 64183
NPRM Comment Period End	12/27/2013	
Final Action	08/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined**Government Levels Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**RIN Information URL:** www.regulations.gov**Public Comment URL:** www.regulations.gov**Agency Contact:** Beth Cook

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)****U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement ( USICE )**

RIN: 1653-AA69

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**Title:** Rescinding Suspension of Enrollment for Certain F and M Nonimmigrant Students from Libya and Third Country Nationals Acting on Behalf of Libyan Entities

**Abstract:** The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) is amending its regulations by rescinding the regulatory provisions promulgated in 1983 that terminated the nonimmigrant status and barred the granting of certain immigration benefits to Libyan nationals and foreign nationals acting on behalf of Libyan entities who are engaging in or seeking to obtain studies or training in aviation maintenance, flight operations, or nuclear-related fields. The United States Government and the Government of Libya have normalized their relationship and most of the restrictions and sanctions imposed by the United States and the United Nations toward Libya have been lifted. Therefore, DHS, after consultation with the Department of State and the Department of Defense, is considering rescinding the restrictions that deny nonimmigrant status and benefits to a specific group of Libyan nationals.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** Undetermined

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 214.5 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1101; 8 USC 1102; 8 USC 1103; 8 USC 1182; 8 USC 1184; 8 USC 1186a; 8 USC 1187; 8 USC 1221; 8 USC 1281; 8 USC 1282; 8 USC 1301 to 1305; 8 USC 1372; 48 USC 1806

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	05/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** Undetermined

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** Undetermined

**International Impacts:** This regulatory action will be likely to have international trade and investment effects, or otherwise be of international interest.

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**

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**RIN:** 1653-AA13

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**Title:** Continued Detention of Aliens Subject to Final Orders of Removal

**Abstract:** The U.S. Department of Homeland Security is finalizing, with amendments, the interim rule that was published on November 14, 2001, by the former Immigration and Naturalization Service (Service). The interim rule included procedures for conducting custody determinations in light of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in *Zadvydas v. Davis*, 533 U.S. 678 (2001), which held that the detention period of certain aliens who are subject to a final administrative order of removal is limited under section 241(a)(6) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (Act) to the period reasonably necessary to affect their removal. The interim rule amended section 241.4 of title 8, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), in addition to creating two new sections: 8 CFR 241.13 (establishing custody review procedures based on the significant likelihood of the alien's removal in the reasonably foreseeable future) and 241.14 (establishing custody review procedures for special circumstances cases). Subsequently, in the case of *Clark v. Martinez*, 543 U.S. 371 (2005), the Supreme Court clarified a question left open in *Zadvydas*, and held that section 241(a)(6) of the Act applies equally to all aliens described in that section. This rule amends the interim rule to conform to the requirements of *Martinez*. Further, the procedures for custody determinations for post-removal-period aliens who are subject to an administratively final order of removal, and who have not been released from detention or repatriated, have been revised in response to comments received and experience gained from administration of the interim rule published in 2001. This final rule also makes conforming changes as required by the enactment of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (HSA). Additionally, certain portions of the final rule were determined to require public comment and, for this reason, have been developed into a separate/companion notice of proposed rulemaking; RIN 1653-AA60.

**Priority:** Other Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 241 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#) )**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1101 (note); 8 USC 1102; 8 USC 1103; 8 USC 1182 (note); 8 USC 1184; 8 USC 1185 (note); 8 USC 1187; 8 USC 1223; 8 USC 1225; 8 USC 1226; 8 USC 1227; 8 USC 1231; 8 USC 1253; ...**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action		
Interim Final Rule	11/14/2001	66 FR 56967
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	01/14/2002	

**Additional Information:** INS No. 2156-01 Transferred from RIN 1115-AG29**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** No**Small Entities Affected:** No**Federalism:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
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RIN: 1653-AA30

 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Extending the Period of Duration of Status for Certain F and J Nonimmigrant Aliens

**Abstract:** This interim rule amended DHS regulations to provide that the Secretary may publish a notice to extend the duration of status, under specified conditions, of certain F-1 and J-1 nonimmigrant aliens who may be affected adversely because the numerical limit (cap) on H-1B nonimmigrant aliens has been reached prior to the end of a given fiscal year. This rule was a necessary stopgap measure because of a large number of F-1 and J-1 nonimmigrant aliens seeking a change of nonimmigrant status to that of H-1B after completion of their studies or their program. However, many of these aliens were unable to change their nonimmigrant status for the remainder of a given fiscal year because of the cap on H-1B petitions. This rule allows such aliens to avoid a lapse in their status because of a circumstance that is not under their control.

**Priority:** Other Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 214 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#) )**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1101; 8 USC 1103; 8 USC 1182; 8 USC 1184; 8 USC 1186; ...**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
Interim Final Rule	06/15/1999	64 FR 32146
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	08/16/1999	

**Additional Information:** CIS No. 1992-99 Transferred from RIN 1615-AA27**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** No**Small Entities Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**RIN Information URL:** www.regulations.gov**Public Comment URL:** www.regulations.gov**Related RINs:** Previously Reported as 1115-AF54**Agency Contact:** Katherine H. Westerlund

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
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RIN: 1653-AA31

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**Title:** Requiring Certification of All Service-Approved Schools for Enrollment in the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS)

**Abstract:** This rule continues the implementation of the process by which schools may be approved to obtain access to the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS). On October 30, 2001, President George W. Bush issued Homeland Security Directive No. 2 requiring DHS to conduct periodic reviews of all institutions certified to receive nonimmigrant students. The Enhanced Border Security and Visa Entry Reform Act of 2002, Public Law 107-173 enacted May 14, 2002, also requires a periodic review of school approvals. This rule governs the review and certification process that DHS uses to approve schools to enroll foreign students. While DHS had in place an existing process for certifying and decertifying schools, DHS requires all previously approved schools to apply for certification in accordance with these new mandates cited above, prior to being allowed to enroll in SEVIS.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 103; 8 CFR 214 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 5 USC 552 to 552a; 8 USC 1101; 8 USC 1103; 8 USC 1304; 8 USC 1356; 31 USC 1907; EO 12356

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
Interim Final Rule	09/25/2002	67 FR 60107
Interim Final Rule Effective	09/25/2002	
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	11/25/2002	

**Additional Information:** CIS No. 2217-02 Transferred from RIN 1115-AG71

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

**Related RINs:** Previously Reported as 1115-AG71

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement ( USICE )**

RIN: 1653-AA44

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**Title:** Amendment to Accommodate Process Changes With SEVIS II Implementation

**Abstract:** This proposed rule will incorporate language supporting a major reprogramming of SEVIS, known as SEVIS II,

including setup and use of DHS accounts for F/M/J nonimmigrants, designated school officials (DSOs) and responsible officers (ROs); requirements for DSO training, electronic signatures; limited new reporting responsibilities; and a variety of miscellaneous system-related clarifications.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 103; 8 CFR 214.3; 8 CFR 214.4 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1356(m); PL 107-56; PL 107-173

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	05/00/2015	

**Additional Information:** Includes Retrospective Review under E.O. 13563

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**

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RIN: 1653-AA56

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**Title:** Extending Period for Optional Practical Training by 17 Months for F-1 Nonimmigrant Students With STEM Degrees and Expanding the CAP-GAP Relief for All F-1 Students With Pending H-1B Petitions

**Abstract:** Currently, foreign students in F-1 nonimmigrant status who have been enrolled on a full-time basis for at least one full academic year in a college, university, conservatory, or seminary certified by U.S. Immigration and Custom Enforcement's (ICE) Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) are eligible for 12 months of optional practical training (OPT) to work for a U.S. employer in a job directly related to the student's major area of study. The maximum period of OPT is 29 months for F-1 students who have completed a science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) degree and accept employment with employers enrolled in U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services' (USCIS) E-Verify employment verification program. Employers of F-1 students with an extension of post-completion OPT authorization must report to the student's designated school official (DSO) within 48 hours after the OPT student has been terminated from, or otherwise leaves, his or her employment with that employer prior to end of the authorized period of OPT. The final rule will respond to public comments and may make adjustments to the regulations.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** Undetermined

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 214 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1101 to 1103; 8 USC 1182; 8 USC 1184 to 1187; 8 USC 1221; 8 USC 1281 and 1282; 8 USC 1301 to 1305

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Rule		
Interim Final Rule	04/08/2008	73 FR 18944
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	06/09/2008	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
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**RIN:** 1653-AA60

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**Title:** Continued Detention of Aliens Subject to Final Orders of Removal

**Abstract:** This notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) is proposing to amend the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) regulatory provisions for custody determinations for aliens in immigration detention who are subject to an administratively final order of removal. The proposed rule would also clarify the removal period time frame afforded to the Agency following an alien's compliance with his or her obligations regarding removal subsequent to a period of obstruction or failure to cooperate, and clarify the removal period time frame when an order of removal becomes administratively final before the alien comes into DHS custody.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** Undetermined

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 241 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1103; 8 USC 1223; 8 USC 1227; 8 USC 1231; 8 USC 1253

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM		

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
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**RIN:** 1653-AA67

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**Title:** Procedures for Declining To Accept Immigration Bonds Underwritten by Treasury-Certified Surety Companies and Their Agents Acting as Co-Obligors

**Abstract:** The Department proposes to amend 8 CFR 103.6 to set forth standards and procedures ICE will follow before making a determination to stop accepting immigration bonds posted by a surety company that has been certified to issue bonds by the Department of the Treasury or by an agent acting as a co-obligor with the surety. On March 17, 2011, Treasury published a proposed rule, Surety Companies Doing Business with the United States, that would amend 31 CFR part 223. See 76 FR 14592. This proposed rule would grant agencies the authority to decline bonds from a Treasury-certified surety for cause, such as when the surety owes unpaid, administratively-final bond debts to the Agency. When Treasury's proposed rule is final,

the Department intends to publish a proposed rule allowing ICE to decline additional immigration bonds from surety companies and/or their agents when they have failed to pay administratively-final debts or have an unacceptably high breach rate. The rule would include due process protections for the companies such as advance written notice of the Agency's intention to decline future bonds, an explanation of the reasons supporting the proposed non-acceptance of the bonds, an opportunity to respond, and an opportunity to cure the defects.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** Undetermined

**Unfunded Mandates:** Undetermined

**CFR Citation:** 8 CFR 103.6 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 8 USC 1103

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	05/00/2015	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

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RIN: 1653-AA65

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**Title:** Standards To Prevent, Detect, and Respond to Sexual Abuse and Assault in Confinement Facilities

**Abstract:** The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) is finalizing regulations setting detention standards to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and assault in DHS confinement facilities. These regulations address and respond to public comments received on the notice of proposed rulemaking published December 19, 2012, at 77 FR 75300.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Completed Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 6 CFR 115 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 5 USC 301; 5 USC 552; 5 USC 552a; 8 USC 1103; 8 USC 1182; ...

**Legal Deadline:** VAWA Reauthorization Act

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory	VAWA Reauthorization Act	09/03/2013

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/19/2012	77 FR 75300
NPRM Comment Period Extended	02/07/2013	78 FR 8987
NPRM Comment Period End	02/19/2013	
NPRM Extended Comment Period End	02/26/2013	
Final Rule	03/07/2014	79 FR 13099
Final Rule Effective	05/06/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Governmental Jurisdictions

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal; Local; State

**Federalism:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**Federal Emergency Management Agency ( FEMA )**

RIN: 1660-AA80

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**Title:** Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP); Program Administration By States

**Abstract:** The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is seeking public comment on implementing a provision of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act regarding State administration of the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP). The provision directs FEMA to establish criteria to delegate authority to States to administer HMGP. FEMA is seeking input from the public to help inform the development of this new method of program delivery.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** PreRule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 44 CFR 206 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 42 USC 5170c(c)(2)

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
ANPRM	03/12/2014	79 FR 13970
ANPRM Comment Period End	05/12/2014	

**Additional Information:** Docket ID FEMA 2014-0013

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Undetermined

**Government Levels Affected:** Undetermined

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** Undetermined

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**Federal Emergency Management Agency ( FEMA )**

RIN: 1660-AA83

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**Title:** Factors Considered When Evaluating a Governor's Request for Individual Assistance for a Major Disaster

**Abstract:** FEMA proposes to revise its regulations to comply with Section 1109 of the Sandy Recovery Improvement Act of 2013 which requires FEMA, in cooperation with State, Tribal emergency management agencies, to review, update, and revise through rulemaking the Individual Assistance factors FEMA uses to measure the severity, magnitude, and impact of a disaster.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Proposed Rule

**Major:** Undetermined

**Unfunded Mandates:** Undetermined

**CFR Citation:** 44 CFR 206.48(b) (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 42 USC 5121 to 5207

**Legal Deadline:** The Sandy Recovery Improvement Act of 2013, requires the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, in cooperation with representatives of State, Tribal, and local emergency management agencies, to review, update, and revise through rulemaking the Individual Assistance factors FEMA uses to measure the severity, magnitude, and impact of a disaster.

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory	Section 1109 of the Sandy Recovery Improvement Act of 2013, Public Law 113-2.	01/29/2014

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	10/00/2014	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** No

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**Government Levels Affected:** Federal; Local; State; Tribal

**Federalism:** Undetermined

**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)  
Federal Emergency Management Agency ( FEMA )**

**RIN:** 1660-AA75

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**Title:** Debris Removal: Eligibility of Force Account Labor Straight-Time Costs Under the Public Assistance Program for Hurricane Sandy

**Abstract:** This rule would finalize, an interim final rule that published in the Federal Register on November 9, 2012, authorizing reimbursement of force account labor under the Public Assistance Program for debris removal work related to Hurricane Sandy.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Final Rule

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 44 CFR 206 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 42 USC 5121 to 5207

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	11/09/2012	77 FR 67285
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	01/08/2013	
Final Rule	07/00/2014	

**Additional Information:** Includes Retrospective Review under E.O. 13563. Docket ID FEMA-2012-0004.

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal; Local; State; Tribal

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

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**Federal Emergency Management Agency ( FEMA )**

RIN: 1660-AA28

 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP); Assistance to Private Sector Property Insurers**Abstract:** This rule amends the Financial Assistance/Subsidy Arrangement (the Arrangement) between FEMA and the private sector insurers that sell and service flood insurance. Among other things, the rule establishes when FEMA is responsible for litigation costs and when the insurers are responsible, and clarifies issues of jurisdiction and choice of law when the insurers are sued.**Priority:** Other Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 44 CFR 62 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 42 USC 4001 et seq**Legal Deadline:** None**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	10/14/2003	68 FR 59146
NPRM Comment Period End	11/13/2003	
Interim Final Rule	07/30/2004	69 FR 45607
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	09/28/2004	
Interim Final Rule Effective	10/01/2004	

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No**Government Levels Affected:** Federal**Small Entities Affected:** No**Federalism:** No**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**Federal Emergency Management Agency ( FEMA )**

RIN: 1660-AA47

 [View Related Documents](#)**Title:** Disaster Assistance; Public Assistance Repetitive Damage**Abstract:** The Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 reduced the Federal cost share of Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Public Assistance for public and certain private nonprofit facilities repetitively damaged in the preceding 10 years by the same type of event and for which appropriate hazard mitigation had not been implemented. This final rule implements a reduced Federal cost share to provide an incentive for applicants to mitigate repetitive damage, promote measures that reduce future loss to life and property, protect Federal investment in public infrastructure, and help build resilient communities.**Priority:** Other Significant**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action**Major:** No**Unfunded Mandates:** No**CFR Citation:** 44 CFR 206.226 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)**Legal Authority:** 42 USC 5172**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	08/11/2009	74 FR 40124
NPRM Comment Period End	10/13/2009	

**Additional Information:** Docket ID FEMA-2008-0006

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)  
Federal Emergency Management Agency ( FEMA )**

**RIN:** 1660-AA73

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**Title:** Public Assistance Cost Estimating Format for Large Projects

**Abstract:** In this rule the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) proposes the implementation of the Cost Estimating Format (CEF) as the standard estimating procedure for large permanent work projects authorized under the Public Assistance program. FEMA also proposes to implement set ceiling and floor thresholds of plus or minus 10 percent. Under this rule, FEMA would reimburse an applicant for the portion of an overrun that is greater than the 10 percent ceiling threshold, but FEMA would not reimburse an applicant for an overrun that is more than the CEF estimate but less than the 10 percent ceiling threshold. If there is an underrun, an applicant would retain the portion of the underrun that is less than the 10 percent floor threshold to use for mitigation activities, but would return the portion of the underrun that is greater than the 10 percent floor threshold.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Major:** No

**CFR Citation:** 44 CFR 206 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 42 USC 5172(e)(3)(C)

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	10/03/2013	78 FR 61227
NPRM Comment Period End	12/02/2013	
Final Action	05/00/2015	

**Additional Information:** Formerly 1660-AA33; Docket ID FEMA-2013-0042

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**Federal Emergency Management Agency ( FEMA )**

RIN: 1660-AA78

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**Title:** Disaster Assistance; Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG) Program Deadline Extensions and Administrative Corrections

**Abstract:** FEMA proposes to revise its Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG) program regulations to lengthen the potential extension for the grantee's submission of its grant application to FEMA from up to 3 months to up to 6 months. FEMA also proposes to lengthen the potential extension for a subgrantee to submit a project worksheet from up to 3 months to up to 6 months. These proposed deadline extensions provide increased flexibility to applicants who may benefit from additional time to prepare the documentation necessary to support a grant application and may reduce or eliminate financial losses due to delayed invoices by third parties that exceed the maximum 3-month deadline extension. In addition, FEMA proposes to exempt project worksheets claiming only administrative costs from the \$1,000 minimum. FEMA also proposes to make additional minor administrative changes to its FMAG regulations to reflect current statutory and regulatory requirements and clarify grant application procedures.

**Priority:** Other Significant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Long-term Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 44 CFR 204; 44 CFR 206 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 42 USC 5121 to 5207

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Rule		
NPRM	03/07/2013	78 FR 14740
NPRM Comment Period End	05/06/2013	

**Additional Information:** Docket ID FEMA-2013-0004

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** Local; State; Tribal

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**Federal Emergency Management Agency ( FEMA )**

RIN: 1660-AA77

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**Title:** Change in Submission Requirements for State Mitigation Plans

**Abstract:** This final rule would revise the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Mitigation Planning regulations in order to reduce the frequency of Standard State and Enhanced State Mitigation Plan updates by extending the update requirement from 3 to 5 years.

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Completed Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 44 CFR 201 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 42 USC 5165

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	03/01/2013	78 FR 13844
NPRM Comment Period End	04/30/2013	
Final Rule	04/24/2014	79 FR 22873
Final Rule Effective	05/27/2014	

**Additional Information:** Includes Retrospective Review under E.O. 13563. Docket ID FEMA-2012-0001.

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** No

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**Government Levels Affected:** State

**Federalism:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
**Federal Emergency Management Agency ( FEMA )**

RIN: 1660-AA81

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**Title:** Amendment to the Public Assistance Program's Simplified Procedures Project Thresholds

**Abstract:** The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is amending its regulations governing the Public Assistance Program's project thresholds. FEMA is revising the monetary thresholds for when FEMA will process an application using "simplified procedures."

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Completed Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 44 CFR 206.202(d)(2); 44 CFR 206.203(c)(1); 44 CFR 206.203(c)(2) (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 42 USC 5189

**Legal Deadline:** Sandy Recovery Improvement Act requires FEMA to establish new thresholds immediately after submission of report to Congress by 1/29/14.

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory	requires FEMA to establish new thresholds after submission of report to Congress by 1/29/14	01/29/2014

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Rule	02/26/2014	79 FR 10685
Final Rule Effective	02/26/2014	

**Additional Information:** Docket ID FEMA-2014-0009

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Federalism:** No

**Energy Affected:** No

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**Department of Homeland Security (DHS)**  
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RIN: 1660-AA82

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**Title:** Removal of Federal Advisory Committee Act Regulations

**Abstract:** This final rule removes the regulations that implement the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). FEMA's implementation of FACA is now governed by the rules promulgated by the General Services Administration (GSA) and by the policies issued by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

**Priority:** Info./Admin./Other

**Agenda Stage of Rulemaking:** Completed Action

**Major:** No

**Unfunded Mandates:** No

**CFR Citation:** 44 CFR 12 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

**Legal Authority:** 5 USC app 8

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Rule	03/13/2014	79 FR 14180
Final Rule Correction	03/25/2014	79 FR 16206
Final Rule Effective	04/14/2014	

**Additional Information:** Docket ID FEMA-2014-0011

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** No

**Government Levels Affected:** No

**Small Entities Affected:** No

**Federalism:** No

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