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Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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[Docket No. CDC-2015-0079]

**Proposed Data Collection Submitted for Public Comment and
Recommendations**

AGENCY: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

ACTION: Notice with comment period

SUMMARY: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), as part of its continuing efforts to reduce public burden and maximize the utility of government information, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This notice invites comment on the proposed revision of the information collection request entitled *Restrictions on Interstate Travel of Persons (42 CFR Part 70)*. This information collection request outlines regulatory reporting requirements for communicable disease reporting from conveyances engaged in interstate travel within the United States.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before **[INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION DATE IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. CDC-2015-0079 by any of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: Regulation.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- Mail: Leroy A. Richardson, Information Collection Review Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road, N.E., MS-D74, Atlanta, Georgia 30329.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and Docket Number. All relevant comments received will be posted without change to Regulations.gov, including any personal information provided. For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to Regulations.gov.

Please note: All public comment should be submitted through the Federal eRulemaking portal (Regulations.gov) or by U.S. mail to the address listed above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the information collection plan and instruments, contact the Information Collection Review Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton

Road, N.E., MS-D74, Atlanta, Georgia 30329; phone: 404-639-7570; E-mail: omb@cdc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. In addition, the PRA also requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each new proposed collection, each proposed extension of existing collection of information, and each reinstatement of previously approved information collection before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, we are publishing this notice of a proposed data collection as described below.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation,

maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; to develop, acquire, install and utilize technology and systems for the purpose of collecting, validating and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; to train personnel and to be able to respond to a collection of information, to search data sources, to complete and review the collection of information; and to transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Proposed Project

Restrictions on Interstate Travel of Persons (42 CFR Part 70) (OMB Control No. 0920-0488 exp. 3/31/2016) - Revision - Division of Global Migration and Quarantine, National Center for Emerging Zoonotic and Infectious Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Background and Brief Description

This revision to an existing information collection request is intended to ensure that CDC can continue collect pertinent information related to communicable disease or deaths that occur

aboard conveyances during interstate travel within the United States, as authorized under 42 Code of Federal Regulations part 70.

The intended use of the information is to ensure that CDC can assess and respond to reports of communicable disease or death that occur on conveyances engaged in interstate travel, and assist state and local health authorities if an illness or death occurs that poses a risk to public health. Generally, the primary source of this information is aircraft traveling within the United States.

This revision makes several modification to this information collection. They are as follows:

- In current practice, CDC does not process applications for travel permits. The issuance of travel restrictions is a collaborative process between public health partners, e.g. state health departments, the Department of Homeland Security, and CDC. There is no standardized collection of information involved. This change results in the removal of the Ill Person Travel Permit from the list of information collections as well as the removal of the associated burden.
- Reports of communicable disease or death from domestic conveyances are almost always submitted electronically via radio, so the current Master of Vessel or Conveyance Illness Report has been rendered obsolete. In addition, CDC has issued guidance stating that reports to CDC, instead of local health authorities, regarding domestic reports of communicable disease or death on board conveyances meet the requirements of the

regulation; therefore, information collections related to copies sent to state health departments are no longer necessary. This primary concerns interstate flights.

- CDC is also requesting an adjustment to the burden associated with reports of communicable disease or death from domestic conveyances. CDC is reducing the burden from 15 minutes per report to 7 minutes. This is due to the facilitation of reporting using electronic means, i.e. Air Traffic Control and the Domestic Events Network for domestic flights.

The resulting change in burden is a reduction of 3,678 hours.

For reports of death or communicable disease made by master of a vessel or person in charge of a conveyance engaged in interstate traffic, the requested burden is approximately 23 hours. This total is estimated from 200 respondents submitting domestic reports of death or communicable disease a year, with an average burden of 7 minutes per report. This totals 23 hours. There is no burden to respondents other than the time required to make the report of illness or death.

Estimated Annualized Burden Hours

Type of Respondent	Form Name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total burden (in hours)
Master of a vessel or person in charge of a conveyance	42 CFR 70.4 Report by the master of a vessel or person in charge of conveyance of the incidence of a communicable disease occurring while in interstate travel	200	1	7/60	23
Total					23

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