AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission (FTC).

ACTION: Notice and request for comment.

SUMMARY: The FTC requests that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) extend for three years the current Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) clearance for information collection requirements contained in the Rules and Regulations under the Fur Products Labeling Act (Fur Rules or Rules). That clearance expires on August 31, 2021.

DATES: Comments must be received by [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review - Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function. The reginfo.gov web link is a United States Government website produced by OMB and the General Services Administration (GSA). Under PRA requirements, OMB’s Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA) reviews Federal information collections.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Rules and Regulations under the Fur Products Labeling Act, 16 CFR part 301.

OMB Control Number: 3084-0099.
Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Likely Respondents: Retailers, manufacturers, processors, and importers of furs and fur products.

Frequency of Response: Third party disclosure; recordkeeping requirement.

Estimated Annual Hours Burden: 303,001 hours (50,100 hours for recordkeeping + 252,901 hours for disclosure).

Recordkeeping: 50,100 hours [950 retailers incur an average recordkeeping burden of about 18 hours per year (17,100 hours total); 75 manufacturers incur an average recordkeeping burden of about 60 hours per year (4,500 hours total); and 950 importers of furs and fur products incur an average recordkeeping burden of 30 hours per year (28,500 hours total)].

Disclosure: 252,901 hours [(214,834 hours for labeling + 67 hours for invoices + 38,000 hours for advertising)].

Estimated annual cost burden: $5,194,259 (solely relating to labor costs).

Abstract: The Fur Products Labeling Act (Fur Act)\(^1\) prohibits the misbranding and false advertising of fur products. The Fur Rules establish disclosure requirements that assist consumers in making informed purchasing decisions, and recordkeeping requirements that assist the Commission in enforcing the Rules. The Rules also provide a procedure for exemption from certain disclosure provisions under the Fur Act.

Request for Comment

On June 2, 2021, the FTC sought public comment on the information collection requirements associated with the Rule. 86 FR 29581. The Commission received no germane comments. Pursuant to the OMB regulations, 5 CFR part 1320, that implement the PRA, 44 U.S.C. 3501 \textit{et seq.}, the FTC is providing this second opportunity for public

\(^{1}\) 15 U.S.C. 69 \textit{et seq.}
comment while seeking OMB approval to renew the pre-existing clearance for the Rules.

Your comment—including your name and your state—will be placed on the public record of this proceeding. Because your comment will be made public, you are solely responsible for making sure that your comment does not include any sensitive personal information, such as anyone’s Social Security number; date of birth; driver’s license number or other state identification number, or foreign country equivalent; passport number; financial account number; or credit or debit card number. You are also solely responsible for making sure that your comment does not include any sensitive health information, such as medical records or other individually identifiable health information. In addition, your comment should not include any “trade secret or any commercial or financial information which . . . is privileged or confidential” —as provided by Section 6(f) of the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. 46(f), and FTC Rule 4.10(a)(2), 16 CFR 4.10(a)(2)—including in particular competitively sensitive information such as costs, sales statistics, inventories, formulas, patterns, devices, manufacturing processes, or customer names.

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