



DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

[OMB Number 1140-0018]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed eCollection eComments Requested;

Application for Federal Firearms License and Part B – Responsible Person Questionnaire

AGENCY: Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Department of Justice.

ACTION: 30-day notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), Department of Justice (DOJ), will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The proposed information collection was previously published in the *Federal Register* on June 12, 2023, allowing a 60-day comment period.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for 30 days until [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have comments especially on the estimated public burden or associated response time, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions or additional information, please contact: Leslie Anderson, by email at Leslie.anderson@atf.gov, or telephone at 304-616-4634.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and/or
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Written comments and recommendations for this information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website 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 and entering either the title of the information collection or the OMB Control Number 1140-0018. This information collection request may be viewed at www.reginfo.gov. Follow the instructions to view Department of Justice, information collections currently under review by OMB.

DOJ seeks PRA authorization for this information collection for three (3) years. OMB authorization for an ICR cannot be for more than three (3) years without renewal. The DOJ notes that information collection requirements submitted to the OMB for existing ICRs receive a month-to-month extension while they undergo review.

Overview of this information collection:

1. Type of Information Collection: Revision of a previously approved collection.
2. Title of the Form/Collection: Application for Federal Firearms License and Part B – Responsible Person Questionnaire.
3. Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection: Form number: ATF Form 7 (5310.12)/ 7CR (5310.16). Component: Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, U.S. Department of Justice.
4. Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Individuals or households, Private Sector— businesses or other for-profit institutions.

Abstract: Section 922 of Chapter 44 of Title 18 requires persons wishing to be licensed to complete ATF Form 7 (5310.12A)/ 7CR (5310.16) and for persons wishing to be added as a responsible person to complete Part B of ATF Form 7 (5310.12A)/ 7CR (5310.16) to certify compliance with provisions of the law for the FFL business. The information collection (IC) OMB #1140-0018 is being revised to include material and non-material changes to the form, such as formatting changes to include an added header (added “Part B-Responsible Person Questionnaire” to the top of the page), spelling corrections, added verbiage, added references, grammatical changes (sentence rephrasing/statement modification), and updated definitions.

5. Obligation to Respond: The obligation to respond is mandatory per section 922 of Chapter 44 of Title 18.
6. Total Estimated Number of Respondents: 25,000 respondents.
7. Estimated Time per Respondent: 1 hour.
8. Frequency: Once annually.
9. Total Estimated Annual Time Burden: 25,000 hours.
10. Total Estimated Annual Other Costs Burden: The annual cost has increased due to a change in the postal rate from \$0.55 during the last renewal in 2020, to \$0.63 in 2023. Consequently, the new public cost burden will be reported as \$15,750.00, which is equal to $.63$ (mailing cost per respondent) * 25,000 (# of respondents).

If additional information is required, contact: Darwin Arceo, Department Clearance Officer, Policy and Planning Staff, Justice Management Division, United States Department of Justice, Two Constitution Square, 145 N Street NE, 4W-218 Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: August 23, 2023.

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