



## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

[OMB Number 1117-0013]

### **Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed eCollection eComments Requested; Extension of a previously approved collection; Application for Permit to Import Controlled Substances for Domestic and/or Scientific Purposes**

**AGENCY:** Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice.

**ACTION:** 60-day notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), 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.

**DATES:** Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for 60 days until [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have additional 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 Scott A. Brinks, Regulatory Drafting and Policy Support Section, Drug Enforcement Administration; Mailing Address: 8701 Morrissette Drive, Springfield, Virginia 22152; Telephone: (571) 362-3261, Email: [scott.a.brinks@dea.gov](mailto:scott.a.brinks@dea.gov).

**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 Bureau of Justice Statistics, 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;
- Evaluate whether and if so how the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected can be enhanced; and
- 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.

Abstract: Section 1002 of the Controlled Substances Import and Export Act (CSIEA) (21 U.S.C. 952) and Title 21, Code of Federal Regulations 21 CFR, sections 1312.11, 1312.12 and 1312.13 requires any person who desires to import controlled substances listed in schedules I or II, any narcotic substance listed in schedules III or IV, or any non-narcotic substance in schedule III which the Administrator has specifically designated by regulation in section 1312.30, or any nonnarcotic substance in schedule IV or V which is also listed in schedule I or II of the Convention on Psychotropic Substances, must have an import permit. To obtain the permit to import controlled substances for domestic and or scientific purposes, an application for the permit must be made to the DEA, on DEA Form 357.

Overview of this information collection:

- 1 Type of Information Collection: Extension of a previously approved collection].
- 2 The Title of the Form/Collection: Application for Permit to Import Controlled Substances for Domestic and/or Scientific Purposes.
- 3 The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection: DEA Form 357. The applicable component within the Department of Justice is the Drug Enforcement Administration, Office of Diversion Control.

- 4 Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as the obligation to respond: Affected Public: Private Sector—businesses or other for-profit institutions. The obligation to respond is mandatory per 21 CFR, sections 1312.11, 1312.12 and 1312.13.
- 5 An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond: The DEA estimates that 124 registrants participate in this information collection. The time per response is 21 minutes to complete the DEA-357 (paper) and 15 minutes to complete DEA-357 (online).
- 6 An estimate of the total annual burden (in hours) associated with the collection: DEA estimates that this collection takes 264.35 annual burden hours.
- 7 An estimate of the total annual cost burden associated with the collection, if applicable: \$0.

Total Burden Hours

Activity	Number of Respondents	Frequency	Total Annual Responses	Time Per Response	Total Annual Burden (Hours)
DEA Form: 357 (online)			958	15 min.	266 hrs.
DEA Form: 357 (paper)	124	9	71	21 min.	19 hrs.
<b><i>Unduplicated Totals</i></b>	<b><i>124</i></b>		<b><i>1,081</i></b>	<b><i>0.26</i></b>	<b><i>264.35 hrs.</i></b>

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

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