



DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

[OMB 1140-0081]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed eCollection eComments Requested; Revision of a Previously Approved Collection; Appeals of Background Checks

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

ACTION: 60-day notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Justice (DOJ), The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), 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, contact: Shawn Stevens, either by mail at ATF-FELC, 244 Needy Road, Martinsburg, WV 25405, by email at FELC@atf.gov/Shawn.Stevens@atf.gov, or telephone at 304-616-4400.

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: 18 U.S.C. 843(h) requires the Attorney General to conduct background checks on the persons whose names and descriptions accompany the above applications and requires notification to any person determined to be disabled under section 842(i) of this chapter, as well as information on how the disability may be relieved. The regulations at 27 CFR 555.33 state that an individual who wishes to challenge a determination may direct their challenge to the Director. Information Collection (IC) OMB 1140-0081 is being revised to include the decrease in total respondents from 500 to 132, and a consequential change in the hourly burden from 1,000 to 264 hours.

Overview of this information collection:

- 1 Type of Information Collection: Revision of a previously approved collection.
- 2 The Title of the Form/Collection: Appeals of Background Checks.
- 3 The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection: Form number: None.

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 the obligation to respond: Affected Public: State, local and Tribal governments. The obligation to respond is voluntary.

5 An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond: An estimated 132 respondents will respond to this collection once annually, and it will take each respondent approximately 2 hours to complete their responses.

6 An estimate of the total annual burden (in hours) associated with the collection: The estimated annual public burden associated with this collection is 264 total hours, which is equal to 132 (total respondents) * 1 (# of response per respondent) * 2 (2 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)
Appeals of Background Checks	132	1/annually	132	2 hours	264 hours.

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.

Dated: April 29, 2025.

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