



## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Foreign Agricultural Service

#### Notice of Request for Extension of Currently Approved Information Collection

**AGENCY:** Foreign Agricultural Service

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, this notice announces the intention of the Foreign Agricultural Service to request an extension of a currently approved information collection for the Agriculture Wool Apparel Manufacturers Trust Fund.

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received by **[INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]** to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** You may send comments, identified by OMB Control Number 0551-0045, by any of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: <https://www.regulations.gov>. This portal enables respondents to enter short comments or attach a file containing lengthier comments.
- E-mail: [PODadmin@usda.gov](mailto:PODadmin@usda.gov). Include OMB Control Number 0551-0045 in the subject line of the message.
- Mail, Courier, or Hand Delivery: Curt Alt, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Foreign Agricultural Service, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 6512, Washington, DC 20250.

**Instructions:** All submissions received must include the agency names and OMB Control Number for this notice. All comments received will be posted without change, including any personal information provided.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Curt Alt, 202 690-4784,

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Agriculture Wool Apparel Manufacturers Trust Fund.

*OMB Control Number:* 0551-0045.

*Expiration Date of Approval:* August 31, 2025.

*Type of Request:* Extension of a currently approved information collection.

*Abstract:* This information collection is required for affidavits submitted to FAS for claims against the Agriculture Wool Apparel Manufacturers Trust Fund. Claimants of the Agriculture Wool Apparel Manufacturers Trust Fund will be required to submit electronically a notarized affidavit and information pertaining to the production of worsted wool suits, suit-type jackets, or trousers for boys and men; or the weaving of wool yarn, wool fiber, or wool top.

*Estimate of Burden:* Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average approximately 2 hours per response for affidavits related to the Agriculture Wool Apparel Manufacturers Trust Fund.

*Type of Respondents:* Under the Agriculture Wool Apparel Manufacturers Trust Fund there are four groups of potential respondents, as authorized by section 12315 of the Agriculture Act of 2014 (Pub. L. 113-79), and reauthorized under section 12603 of the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 (Pub. L. 115-334): (1) Persons in the United States who produced worsted wool suits, suit-type jackets, or trousers for men and boys in the year prior to the application using worsted wool fabric of the kind described in headings 9902.51.11, 9902.51.15, or who wove worsted wool fabrics suitable for use in making men and boys suits under heading 9902.51.16 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States; (2) Persons in the United States who processed wool yarn, wool fiber, or wool top of the kind described in headings 9902.51.13 or 9902.51.14 of the Harmonized

Tariff Schedule of the United States in the year prior to the application; (3) Persons in the United States who wove worsted wool fabrics of the kind described in headings 9902.51.11 and or 9902.51.15 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States in the year prior to the application and in the years 1999, 2000, and 2001; (4) Persons in the United States who manufactured certain wool articles made with certain imported wool products during calendar years 2000, 2001, and 2002; received a 2005 payment under section 505 of the Trade and Development Act of 2000; and who continue to be a manufacturer in the United States as provided for in section 505(a) of the Trade and Development Act of 2000.

*Estimated Number of Respondents: 95.*

*Estimated Number of Responses: 95.*

*Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.*

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 260 hours.*

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Kenneth Vernon, the Agency Information Collection Coordinator, at [kenneth.vernon@usda.gov](mailto:kenneth.vernon@usda.gov).

*Request for Comments:* Send comments regarding (a) 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; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information including validity of the methodology and assumption used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

All comments received in response to this notice, including names and addresses when provided, will be a matter of public record. Comments will be available without

change, including any personal information provided, for inspection online at <https://www.regulations.gov> and at the mail address listed above between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.

Comments will be summarized and included in the submission for Office of Management and Budget approval.

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