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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

[OMB Number 1140-0076]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed collection; Comments requested; Title - Request for Relief from Explosives Disability – ATF Form 5400.31

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

ACTION: 30-day notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Justice (DOJ), Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF), will be submitting the following information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: ATF encourages comments on this information collection. You may submit written comments for 30 days, until midnight on [**INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER**].

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments and recommendations for this information collection to 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: 1140-0076. Please send a copy of submitted public comments to Laurie O’Lena at erod@atf.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions or additional information, please contact: Laurie O'Lena, either by mail at Redstone Arsenal; 3750 Corporal Road; Huntsville, AL 35898, by email at erod@atf.gov, or by telephone at 256-261-7640.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed information collection was previously published in the Federal Register, 91 FR 44875, on July 17, 2026, allowing a 60-day comment period. We encourage written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed information collection. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary to properly perform ATF's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the agency's estimate of the proposed information collection's burden for accuracy, including validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Evaluate whether the agency can enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information being collected, and if so, how; and
- Minimize the information collection's burden on those who are to respond, including using appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting people to submit electronic responses.

You may view this information collection request at www.reginfo.gov. Follow the instructions to view Department of Justice information collections currently under review by OMB and look for 1140-0076.

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

Overview of this information collection:

Abstract: Persons who wish to ship, transport, receive, or possess explosive materials, but are prohibited from doing so, complete this form to request relief from such prohibition, along with supporting documents. ATF uses the information to determine whether the person who provided the information is likely to act in a manner dangerous to public safety and whether granting relief is contrary to the public interest.

Type of information collection: revising a previously approved collection.

Title of the form/collection: Request for Relief from Explosives Disability.

Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection: Form number: ATF Form 5400.31. *Component:* Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives; U.S. Department of Justice.

Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, and obligation to respond: Affected public: individuals or households, private sector for- or not-for-profit institutions. *Obligation to respond:* voluntary or required to obtain or retain benefits.

Total estimated number of respondents: 250 total respondents.

Estimated time per respondent: 30 minutes (0.5 hours).

Frequency: once annually.

Total estimated annual time burden: 125 total hours.

Total estimated annual other costs burden: There are no capital costs for this ICR as these responses are emailed to ATF.

Revisions to this information collection

The total time burden has increased since the last renewal in 2023, from 150 hours to 250. This is a net increase resulting from a combined decrease in the number of annual respondents (from 300 in 2023 to 250 now, causing a corresponding decrease in direct respondent hours from 150 to 125 hours) and an increase in the time burden from including the time indirect respondents expend (an additional 125 hours). Although the indirect respondents were previously included in the monetized value calculations, they were inadvertently not included in the hourly burden calculations. This renewal corrects that error. The monetized value of the hourly burden has also increased due to increased wages over time and the correction above, from $9,600 to $11,375.

As part of this renewal, ATF is also changing the form number from ATF Form 5400.29 to ATF Form 5400.31 to align with changes to ATF's numbering structure, and is revising the title of the ICR and the form for plain writing purposes, from "Relief of Disabilities and Application for Restoration of Explosives Privileges" to "Request for Relief from Explosives Disability." In addition, ATF is making minor technical edits to the form: plain writing edits to text on the form; updating the race and ethnicity options to conform with Census Bureau changes since the last renewal; and adding Space Force to the Armed Forces section.

Public comments

ATF did not receive comments on this information collection during the 60-day notice and comment period.

If you require additional information on DOJ's ICR process for this renewal request, contact Darwin Arceo, Department Clearance Officer; United States Department of Justice; Justice Management Division, Enterprise Portfolio Mangement; Two Constitution Square, 145 N Street, NE; 4W-218; Washington, DC.

Dated: September 18, 2026.

Darwin Arceo,

Department Clearance Officer for PRA,

U.S. Department of Justice.

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