



DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

[OMB Number 1117-0010]

Agency Information Collection Activities;

Proposed eCollection, eComments Requested; Reinstatement Without Change of a Previously Approved Collection; U.S. Official Order Forms for Schedules I and II Controlled Substances

DEA Form 222

AGENCY: Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice.

ACTION: 30-day notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Justice (DOJ), Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), 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, at 91 FR 46483, on July 23, 2026, 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 Heather E. Achbach, Regulatory Drafting and Policy Support Section, Drug Enforcement Administration; Mailing Address: 8701 Morrisette Drive, Springfield, Virginia 22152; Telephone: (571) 776-3882; Email: DEA.PRA@dea.gov or Heather.E.Achbach@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 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 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 1117-0010.

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. If you submit a comment, please send a copy to Heather Achbach at DEA.PRA@dea.gov.

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. DOJ notes that information collection requirements submitted to the OMB for existing ICRs receive a month-to-month extension while they undergo review.

Abstract: The Controlled Substances Act (CSA) (21 U.S.C. 801—971) establishes a closed system of distribution for controlled substances. One tool that helps to maintain the closed system of distribution is the CSA provision that states it “shall be unlawful for any person to distribute a controlled substance in schedules I or II to another except in pursuance of a written order of the person to whom such substance is distributed, made on a form to be issued by the Attorney General in blank in accordance with subsection (d) of this section.” 21 U.S.C. 828(a).

Overview of this information collection:

1. *Type of Information Collection:* Reinstatement of a previously approved collection.
2. *Title of the Form/Collection:* U.S. Official Order Forms for Schedules I and II Controlled Substances.
3. *Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection:* DEA Form: 222. 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 a brief abstract:*
Affected Public: (Primary): Businesses or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions; Federal, State, local, and tribal governments.
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 114,989 registrants participate in this information collection. The time per response is 6.19 minutes for the DEA-222.
6. *Estimated Time per Respondent:* DEA estimates that this collection takes 1,624,529 annual burden hours.
7. *Frequency:* As needed, 136.90191/annual.
8. *Total Estimated Annual Time Burden:* 1,624,529 annual burden hours.

9. *Total Estimated Annual Other Costs Burden: \$0.*

Total Burden Hours

Activity	Number of Respondents	Frequency	Total Annual Responses	Time Per Response (Hours)	Total Annual Burden (Hours)
<i>DEA-222 (paper)</i>	114,989	2.916644201	335,382	0.25	83,846
<i>DEA-222/CSOS (online)</i>		133.9853	15,406,832	0.1	1,539,846
<i>Unduplicated Totals</i>	<i>114,989</i>	<i>136.90191</i>	<i>15,742,214</i>	<i>0.1031957</i>	<i>1,624,529</i>

If additional information is required, contact: Darwin Arceo, Department Clearance Officer,
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Dated: September 29, 2026

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