Total Annualized Capital/Startup Costs: $0.
Total Annual Costs (Operating/Maintaining Systems or Purchasing Services): $125,200.

Description: The Compliance Information Report and the information collection requirements at 29 CFR part 37 are designed to ensure that programs or activities funded in whole or in part by the Department of Labor operate in a nondiscriminatory manner. The Report requires such programs and activities to collect, maintain and report upon request from the Department, race, ethnicity, sex, age and disability data for program applicants, eligible applicants, participants, terminees, applicants for employment and employees. The Form DL-1–2014A is used for filing a complaint of alleged discrimination.

Ira L. Mills,
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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Office of the Secretary
Submission for OMB Review: Comment Request


The Department of Labor (DOL) has submitted the following public information collection requests (ICRs) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104–13, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35). A copy of each ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by contacting Darrin King on 202–693–4129 (this is not a toll-free number) or e-mail: king.darrin@dol.gov.

Comments should be sent to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, 202–395–7316 (this is not a toll-free number), within 30 days from the date of this publication in the Federal Register.

The OMB is particularly interested in comments which:
- 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
- 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.

Agency: Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

Type of Review: Extension of currently approved collection.

Title: Notice of Alledged Safety and Health Hazards, OSHA–7 Form.

OMB Number: 1218–0064.

Frequency: On occasion.

Type of Response: Reporting.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Number of Respondents: 50,955.

Number of Annual Responses: 50,955.

Estimated Time Per Response: 17 minutes for electronic submission; 15 minutes for oral complaints; and 25 minutes for written complaints.

Total Burden Hours: 13,611.

Total Annualized Capital/Startup Costs: $0.

Total Annual Costs (Operating/Maintaining Systems or Purchasing Services): $692.

Description: Under paragraphs (a) and (c) of 29 CFR 1903.11 (“Complaints by employers”) employees and their representatives may notify the OSHA area director or an OSHA compliance officer of safety and health hazards regulated by the Agency that they believe exist in their workplaces at any time. These provisions state further that this notification must be in writing and “shall set forth with reasonable particularity the grounds for the notice, and shall be signed by the employee or representatives of the employee.” Along with providing specific hazard information to the Agency, paragraph (a) permits employees/employee representatives to request an inspection of the workplace. Paragraph (c) also addresses situations in which employees/employee representatives may provide the information directly to the OSHA compliance officer during an inspection. An employer’s former employees may also submit complaints to the Agency.

To address the requirements of paragraphs (a) and (c), especially the requirement that the information be in writing, the Agency developed the OSHA–7 Form; this form standardized and simplified the hazard-reporting process. For paragraph (a), they may complete an OSHA–7 Form obtained from the Agency’s Web site and then send it to OSHA on-line, or deliver a hardcopy of the form to the OSHA area office by mail or facsimile, or by hand. They may also write a letter containing the information and hand-deliver it to the area office, or send it by mail or facsimile. In addition, they may provide the information orally to the OSHA area office or another party (e.g., a Federal safety and health committee for Federal employees), in which case the area office or other party completes the hardcopy version of the form. For the typical situation addressed by paragraph (c), an employee/employee representation informs an OSHA compliance officer orally of the alleged hazard during an inspection, and the compliance officer then completes the hardcopy version of the OSHA–7 Form; occasionally, the employee/employee representative provides the compliance
officer with the information on the
dharcopy version of the OSHA–7 Form.
Agency: Occupational Safety and
Health Administration.
Type of Review: Extension of
currently approved collection.
Title: Respiratory Protection (29 CFR
1910.134).
OMB Number: 1218–0099.
Frequency: On occasion.
Type of Response: Recordkeeping;
Reporting; and Third party disclosure.
Affected Public: Business or other for-
profit; Not-for-profit institutions;
Federal government; and State, local, or
tribal government.
Number of Respondents: 619,430.
Number of Annual Responses:
19,136,624.
Estimated Time Per Response: Varies
from 5 minutes to mark a storage
compartment or protective cover to 8
hours for large employers to gather and
prepare information to develop a
written program.
Total Burden Hours: 6,334,638.
Total Annualized Capital/Startup
Costs: $0.
Total Annual Costs (Operating/
Maintaining Systems or Purchasing
Services): $98,545,304.
Description: The Respiratory
Protection Standard (Sec. 1910.134;
hereafter, “Standard”) information
collection requirements require
employers to: Develop a written
respirator program; conduct employee
medical evaluations and provide follow-
up medical evaluations to determine the
employee’s ability to use a respirator;
provide the physician or other licensed
health care professional with
information about the employee’s
respirator and the conditions under
which the employee will use the
respirator; and administer fit tests for
employees who will use negative- or
positive-pressure, tight-fitting face-
pieces. In addition, employers must
ensure that employees store emergency-
use respirators in compartments clearly
marked as containing emergency-use
respirators. For respirators maintained
for emergency use, employers must
label or tag the respirator with a
certificate stating the date of inspection,
the name of the individual who made
the inspection, the findings of the
inspection, required remedial action,
and the identity of the respirator.
The Standard also requires employers
to ensure that cylinders used to supply
breathing air to respirators have a
certificate of analysis from the supplier
stating that the breathing air meets the
requirements for Type 1—Grade D
breathing air; such certification assures
employers that the purchased breathing
air is safe. Compressors used to supply
breathing air to respirators must have a
tag containing the most recent change
date and the signature of the individual
authorized by the employer to perform
the change. Employers must maintain
this tag at the compressor. These tags
provide assurance that the compressors are
functioning properly.
Ira L. Mills,
Departmental Clearance Officer.
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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Office of the Secretary
Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request
The Department of Labor (DOL) has
submitted the following public
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 (Pub. L. 104–13,
44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). A copy of each
ICR, with applicable supporting
documentation, may be obtained by
contacting the Department of Labor (DOL).
To obtain documentation,
contact Ira Mills on (202) 693
7 Form. Comments should be sent to Office of
Information and Regulatory Affairs,
Attn: OMB Desk Officer for DOL, Office of
Management and Budget, Room
10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202)
395–7316 (this is not a toll-free number) or e-mail:
mills.ira@dol.gov.
• 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
• 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.
Agency: Employment and Training
Administration.
Type of Review: Extension of a
currently approved collection.
Title: Interstate Arrangement for
Combining Employment and Wages.
OMB Number: 1205–0029.
Frequency: Quarterly.
Affected Public: State, local, or tribal
government.
Number of Respondents: 53.
Number of Annual Responses: 212.
Total Burden Hours: 848.
Estimated Time Per Response: 4
hours.
Total Annualized Capital/Startup
Costs: $0.
Total Annual Costs (Operating/
Maintaining Systems or Purchasing
Services): $0.
Description: This report provides data
necessary to measure the scope and
effect of the program for combining
employment and wages covered under
difference States’ laws of a single State
and to monitor States’ payment and
wage transfer performance.
Ira L. Mills,
Departmental Clearance Officer.
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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Employment and Training
Administration
Announcement of Public Briefings on
Using the New Permanent Foreign
Labor Certification (PERM) System
AGENCY: Employment and Training
Administration, Labor.
ACTION: Notice.
SUMMARY: The regulation to implement
the re-engineered permanent foreign
labor certification program (PERM) was published in the Federal Register on
December 27, 2004, with an effective
date of March 28, 2005. The
Employment and Training
Administration (ETA) of the Department of
Labor (Department or DOL) is issuing
this notice to announce DOL will offer
four public briefings to educate the
public on using the new permanent
foreign labor certification system. The
four briefings will take place in early
2005 in Chicago, Atlanta, Costa Mesa
(California) and Washington, DC. During
the briefings, the Department will also
provide an update on backlog reduction
efforts. This notice provides the public
with locations, dates, and registration
information regarding these four
briefings.