DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Occupational Safety and Health Administration
[Docket No. ICR–1218–0199(2006)]

Walking-Working Surfaces Standard; Extension of the Office of Management and Budget’s (OMB) Approval of Information Collection (Paperwork) Requirements

AGENCY: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Labor.

ACTION: Request for public comment.

SUMMARY: OSHA solicits public comment concerning its request for an extension of the information collection requirements specified by its standard on Walking-Working Surfaces (29 CFR part 1910, subpart D).

DATES: Comments must be submitted by the following dates:

- **Hard copy.** Your comments must be submitted (postmarked or received) by November 13, 2006.
- **Facsimile and electronic transmission:** Your comments must be received by November 13, 2006.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- **ADDRESSES:** You must submit comments, identified by OSHA Docket No. ICR–1218–0199(2006), by any of the following methods:
  - **Regular mail.** Submit your comments and attachments to the OSHA Docket Office, Room N–2625, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210; telephone (202) 693–2350 (OSHA’s TTY number is (877) 889–5627). OSHA Docket Office and Department of Labor hours are 8:15 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., e.t.
  - **Facsimile:** If your comments are 10 pages or fewer, including attachments, you may fax them to the OSHA Docket Office at (202) 693–1648.
  - **Electronic:** You may submit comments through the Internet at http://ecomments.osha.gov. Follow instructions on the OSHA Web page for submitting comments.
  - **Docket:** For access to the docket to read or download comments or background materials, such as the complete Information Collection Request (ICR) (containing the Support Statement, OMB–83–1 Form, and attachments), go to OSHA’s Web page at http://www.OSHA.gov. In addition, the ICR, comments and submissions are available for inspection and copying at the OSHA Docket Office at the above address. You may also contact Theda Kenney at the address below to obtain a copy of the ICR. For additional information on submitting comments, please see the “Public Participation” section in SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Theda Kenney or Todd Owen, Directorate of Standards and Guidance, OSHA, Room N–3609, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210; telephone (202) 693–2222.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent (i.e., employer) burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the public with an opportunity to comment on proposed and continuing information collection requirements in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program ensures that information is in the desired format, reporting burden (time and costs) is minimal, collection instruments are clearly understood, and OSHA’s estimate of the information collection burden is accurate. The Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (the Act) (29 U.S.C. 651 et seq.) authorizes information collection as necessary or appropriate for enforcement of the Act or for developing information regarding the causes and prevention of occupational injuries, illnesses, and accidents (29 U.S.C. 657). The Act also requires that OSHA obtain such information with minimum burden upon employers, especially those operating small businesses, and to reduce to the maximum extent feasible unnecessary duplication of efforts in obtaining information (29 U.S.C. 657).

The collections of information contained in the Walking-Working Surfaces standard are necessary to protect employees from the collapse of overloaded floors, and outrigger scaffolds, and the failure of defective portable metal ladders.

Paragraph 1910.22(d)(1) requires that load limits approved by the building official be marked on plates supplied securely affixed by the owner of the building, or his duly authorized agent, in a conspicuous place in each space to which they relate. The plates are not to be removed or defaced but, if lost, removed, or defaced, they shall be replaced by the owner or his agent.

Under paragraph 1910.26(c)(2)(vii), ladders having defects are to be marked and taken out of service until repaired by either the maintenance department or the manufacturer.

Paragraph 1910.28(e)(3) specifies that unless outrigger scaffolds are designed by a licensed professional engineer, they shall be constructed and erected in accordance with table D–16 of this section. A copy of the detailed drawings and specifications showing the sizes and spacing of members shall be kept on the job.

II. Special Issues for Comment

OSHA has a particular interest in comments on the following issues:

- Whether the proposed information collection requirements are necessary for the proper performance of the Agency’s functions, including whether the information is useful;
- The accuracy of OSHA’s estimate of the burden (time and costs) of the information collection requirements, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- The quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and
- Ways to minimize the burden on employers who must comply; for example, by using automated or other technological information collection and transmission techniques.

III. Proposed Actions

OSHA is requesting OMB to extend its approval of the collection of information requirements contained in the Standard on Walking-Working Surfaces (29 CFR part 1910, subpart D). The Agency is requesting to retain its previous burden hour estimate of 1,193 hours. The Agency will summarize the comments submitted in response to this notice, and will include this summary in its request to OMB.

**Type of Review:** Extension of currently approved information collection requirements.

**Title:** Walking-Working Surfaces Standard (29 CFR part 1910, subpart D).

**OMB Number:** 1218–0199.

**Affected Public:** Business or other for-profit.

**Number of Respondents:** 12,100.

**Frequency:** On occasion.

**Average Time per Response:** Varies from three minutes (.05 hour) to mark a defective ladder to 20 minutes (.33 hour) to secure the load limit marking sign and to post it.

**Estimated Total Burden Hours:** 1,193.

**Estimated Cost (Operation and Maintenance):** $0.

IV. Public Participation—Submission of Comments on This Notice and Internet Access to Comments and Submissions

You may submit comments and supporting materials in response to this notice by (1) Hard copy; (2) fax transmission (facsimile), or (3) electronically through the OSHA Web page. Because of security-related
problems, there may be a significant delay in the receipt of comments by regular mail. Please contact the OSHA Docket Office at (202) 693–2350 (TTY (877) 889–5627) for information about security procedures concerning the delivery of submissions by express delivery, hand delivery, and courier service.

All comments, submissions, and background documents are available for inspection and copying at the OSHA Docket Office at the above address. Comments and submissions posted on OSHA’s Web page are available at http://www.OSHA.gov. Contact the OSHA Docket Office for information about materials not available through the OSHA Web page and for assistance using the Web page to locate docket submissions.

Electronic copies of this Federal Register notice as well as other relevant documents are available on OSHA’s Web page. Since all submissions become public, private information such as social security numbers should not be submitted.

V. Authority and Signature

Edwin G. Foulke, Jr., Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, directed the preparation of this notice. The authority for this notice is the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506 et seq.) and Secretary of Labor’s Order No. 5–2002 (67 FR 65008).

Signed at Washington, DC, on September 8, 2006.

Edwin G. Foulke, Jr.,
Assistant Secretary of Labor.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Melissa Y. Gard, IISTF Executive Director, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center, Houston, TX 77058, telephone (281) 244–7980, e-mail melissa.y.gard@nasa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting will be open to the public up to the seating capacity of the room (20 public seats). Seating will be on a first-come, first-serve basis.

This will be a fact-finding and report writing session.

Attendees will be requested to sign a register and to comply with NASA security requirements, including the presentation of a valid picture ID, before receiving an access bridge. Foreign nationals attending this meeting will be required to provide the following information: full name; gender; date/place of birth; citizenship; visa/green card information (number, type, expiration date); passport information (number, country, expiration date); employer/affiliation information (name of institution, address, country, phone); title/position of attendee. To expedite admittance, attendees should provide identifying information in advance by contacting Ms. Jana Schultz via e-mail at jana.t.schultz@nasa.gov or by telephone at (281) 244–7913 by September 25, 2006. If e-mailing, please include “IISTF” in the subject line.

Members of the public may make five minute verbal presentations to the Task Force on the subject of International Space Station safety. All those wishing to make such a statement in front of the Task Force are requested to contact Ms. Jana Schultz via e-mail at jana.t.schultz@nasa.gov or by telephone at (281) 244–7913 by September 25, 2006. If e-mailing, please include “IISTF” in the subject line. If public requests to speak are received, they will be heard during the first 30 minutes on October 5, 2006, meeting on a first-come basis. Any member of the public is permitted to file a written statement with the Task Force at the time of the meeting. Verbal presentations and written comments shall be limited to the subject of International Space Station safety.

P. Diane Rausch,
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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice (06–065)]

NASA International Space Station Independent Safety Task Force Meeting

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration announces a forthcoming meeting of the International Space Station Independent Safety Task Force (IISTF).

DATES: Thursday, October 5, 2006, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Friday, October 6, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Central Daylight Time.

ADDRESSES: NASA Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center, 2101 NASA Parkway, Bldg. 1, Room 966, Houston, TX 77058.

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice (06–066)]

NASA Advisory Council; Meeting.

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92–463, as amended, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration announces a meeting of the NASA Advisory Council. The agenda for the meeting includes updates from each of the Council committees, including discussion and deliberation of potential recommendations. The Council Committees address NASA interests in the following areas: Aeronautics, Audit and Finance, Space Exploration, Human Capital, Science, and Space Operations.

DATES: Thursday, October 12, 2006, 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC), Building 1, Rooms E100 D and E, 8800 Greenbelt Road, Greenbelt, MD 20771–0001 (Note that visitors will first need to go to the GSFC Visitor’s Center to gain access.)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Christopher Blackerby, Designated Federal Official, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC 20546, 202/358–4688.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting will be open to the public up to the seating capacity of the room. All U.S. citizens desiring to attend the NASA Advisory Council Meeting at the Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC) must provide their full name, company affiliation (if applicable), place of birth, and date of birth to the GSFC Security Office no later than the close of business on October 4, 2006. All non-U.S. citizens must submit their name, current address, citizenship, company affiliation (if applicable) to include address, telephone number, and their title, place of birth, date of birth, U.S. visa information to include type, number, and expiration date, U.S. Social Security Number (if applicable), Permanent Resident Alien card number and expiration date (if applicable), place and date of entry into the U.S., and Passport information to include Country of issue, number, and expiration date to the GSFC Security Office no later than the close of business on September 29, 2006. If the above information is not received by the noted dates, attendees should expect a minimum delay of two (2) hours. All visitors to this meeting will report to the GSFC Visitor Center.