

**SUPPORTING STATEMENT
FOR SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM FORM 156
SKILLS QUESTIONNAIRE**

1. Whenever the induction of young men into the Armed Forces is authorized under the provisions of the Military Selective Service Act, the Director of Selective Service becomes responsible for finding civilian work for persons exempted from training and service in the Armed Forces and for the placement of such persons in appropriate civilian work contributing to the maintenance of the national health, safety, or interest for the same period of time as prescribed for those Selective Service System registrants inducted into the Armed Forces.

Upon the resumption of the induction process, the Selective Service System would immediately initiate an Alternative Service Program to administer its civilian work responsibilities. The use and collection of SSS Form 156, Skills Questionnaire, would be a basic requirement in the conduct of this program.

There are no plans for any public use of this form prior the resumption of induction. The form will only be used to train Selective Service System employees in the policies and procedures involved in the administration of the Selective Service System Alternative Service Program.

OMB approval is requested for SSS Form 156 so that a master copy of the approved form may be pre-positioned for immediate reproduction and use if induction is resumed.

2. The SSS Form 156 will be used to obtain information concerning an Alternative Service Worker's education, skills, training, and experience. The information received will help the Selective Service System place the Alternative service Worker in a job commensurate with his talents and training. Without this personalized information, the worker could be assigned to an Alternative Service job for which he is unqualified and where he would not be contributing to the national interest.

3. Consideration of improved technology to reduce burden is not applicable.
4. There is no duplication of this information.
5. Similar information does not exist.
6. Not applicable.
7. This is a one-time action and cannot be conducted less frequently.
8. There are no special circumstances that require the collection to be conducted in a manner inconsistent with the guidelines in 5 CFR 1320.6.
9. The confidentiality of this information is assured both by Agency policy and Agency compliance with the provisions of the Privacy Act.
10. There are no questions of a sensitive nature on the form.
11. Since the form is in a contingency status only, the annualized cost to the Federal government is considered to be \$1.00 because the form is already printed and pre-positioned.
12. The number of respondents, the frequency of response, and the annual burden are all considered to be one since the form is in a contingency status.
13. There are no changes in the burden.