

Narrative of Revisions

The purpose of the Narrative of Revisions is to clearly indicate revisions to a collection since the previous approval

Collection Title: Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (STCW),
1995 and 1997 Amendments to the International Convention
Special Handling -- 46 CFR Parts 10, 12, & 15
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Collection Instruments: Instructions

The following listed below are revisions to the collection:

- Increase in burden (respondents/responses/burden hours) is due to a PROGRAM CHANGE in the requirements per rulemaking USCG-2004-17914; RIN 1625-AB16. The Coast Guard is amending its regulations governing requirements for STCW endorsed mariners and is proposing to add three additional requirements for this collection. These additional requirements are a result of the 2010 amendments to the STCW Convention. This proposed regulation would: 1) change the medical exam requirements for STCW endorsed mariner from once every five years to once every two years; 2) Require documented evidence of training or knowledge for two groups of mariners – personnel with security duties (except Vessel Security Officers, VSO) and all other mariners working aboard a vessel; and, 3) Recognize STCW endorsements issued by foreign governments. The result would be—
 - An increase in the number of respondents from 14,518 to 32,623.
 - An increase in responses from 22,440 to 65,653.
 - An increase in burden hours from 17,928 to 31,731.
- USCG has created printable instructions for this collection of information.
- Updates are provided for cost burden and government cost associated with this collection of information.