

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY U.S. COAST GUARD	Safety Approval of Cargo Containers	OMB No. 1625-0024 Exp: 06/30/2011
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Who must comply?	Owners and manufacturers of containers, and organizations that the Coast Guard delegates to act as an approval authority (AA).
What is this collection about?	This information is used by the Coast Guard (CG) to ensure that cargo containers are designed, manufactured and maintained in compliance with safety standards.
Where do I find the requirements for this information?	Title 49 CFR Parts 450-453 are available at— http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov , select TITLE 49 – TRANSPORTATION, and follow to the respective parts.
When must information be submitted to the Coast Guard?	For an organization that seeks to become an AA, an application must be submitted to the CG in advance of that designation. For an owner or manufacturer that seeks approval of a new container design, an application must be submitted to the CG or an AA in advance of design approval. For an owner that seeks approval of a continuous examination program (ACEP), an application must be submitted to the CG in advance. For manufacturing or periodic examinations records, the information is not submitted to the CG; rather it is maintained by the container manufacturer/owner and made available for inspection by the CG.
How is the information submitted?	An application may be submitted by mail, fax or electronically submitted via e-mail. For manufacturing or periodic examination records, the information is not submitted to the CG; rather it is maintained by the container manufacturer/owner in any format—hard copy or electronic.
What happens when complete information is received?	For an AA applicant, the CG will review the information, determine if the organization is eligible for the designation, and reply in writing. For the approval of a new container design, the AA or CG will review the application for conformance with safety standards, and if the design is acceptable, complete the approval process with prototype testing. For an ACEP applicant, the CG will review the information, determine if the organization is eligible for the designation, and reply in writing. For manufacturing or periodic examination records, this information will be verified during normal CG inspections. No specific documentation will be issued by the CG.

**For additional information,
contact--**

Your local CG COTP or the CGHQ Vsl & Fac Op Stds Division.

- A list of COTPs (Coast Guard sectors), as part of a comprehensive list of Coast Guard units, can be found at <http://www.uscg.mil/top/units/>.

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An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

The Coast Guard estimates that the average burden per response for reporting requirements varies per information collection—about 24 hours for applications to become an approval authority, approval of container design, application for ACEP, and 40 hours for review of approval authority of container design. The average burden for recordkeeping requirements also varies—about 5 minutes each for labeling container after each inspection and with safety approval plate; 10 minutes to retain container design approval; 1 hour to store receipt of approval for continuous examination program; and 2 minutes for records of periodic examination of containers. You may submit any comments concerning the accuracy of this burden estimate or any suggestions for reducing the burden to: Commandant (CG-522), U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 2nd St., SW, Stop 7126, Washington D.C. 20593-7126 or Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (1625-0024), Washington, DC 20503.