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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[Docket No. USCG-2018-0498]

Collection of Information Under Review by Office of Management

and Budget; OMB Control Number: 1625-0071

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Thirty-Day notice requesting comments.

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SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 the

U.S. Coast Guard is forwarding an Information Collection Request (ICR),

abstracted below, to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Office

of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA), requesting approval for

reinstatement, with changes, of the following collection of

information: 1625-0071, Recreational Boat Safety Defect Report,

previously titled Boat Owner's Report, Possible Safety Defect Report.

Our ICR describes the information we seek to collect from the public.

This request provides a second 30-day comment period addressing the

changes we made in response to public comments that we received on the

last notice requesting comments. Review and comments by OIRA ensure we

only impose paperwork burdens commensurate with our performance of

duties.

DATES: Comments must reach the Coast Guard and OIRA on or before

November 12, 2019.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by Coast Guard docket

number [USCG-2018-0498] to the Coast Guard using the Federal

eRulemaking Portal at [https://www.regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov/). Alternatively, you

may submit comments to OIRA using one of the following means:

(1) Email: [OIRA-submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA-submission@omb.eop.gov).

(2) Mail: OIRA, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503, attention

Desk Officer for the Coast Guard.

(3) Fax: 202-395-6566. To ensure your comments are received in a

timely manner, mark the fax, attention Desk Officer for the Coast

Guard.

A copy of the ICR is available through the docket on the internet

at [https://www.regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov/). Additionally, copies are available

from: COMMANDANT (CG-612), ATTN: PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT MANAGER, U.S.

COAST GUARD, 2703 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. AVE. SE, STOP 7710,

WASHINGTON, DC 20593-7710.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Anthony Smith, Office of

Information Management, telephone 202-475-3532, or fax 202-372-8405,

for questions on these documents.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Participation and Request for Comments

This notice relies on the authority of the Paperwork Reduction Act

of 1995; 44 U.S.C. chapter 35, as amended. An ICR is an application to

OIRA seeking the approval, extension, or renewal of a Coast Guard

collection of information (Collection). The ICR contains information

describing the Collection's purpose, the Collection's likely burden on

the affected public, an explanation of the necessity of the Collection,

and other important information describing the Collection. There is one

ICR for each Collection.

The Coast Guard invites comments on whether this ICR should be

granted based on the Collection being necessary for the proper

performance of Departmental functions. In particular, the Coast Guard

would appreciate comments addressing: (1) The practical utility of the

Collection; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden of the Collection;

(3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of information

subject to the Collection; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the

Collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection

techniques or other forms of information technology. Consistent with

the requirements of Executive Order 13771, Reducing Regulation and

Controlling Regulatory Costs, and Executive Order 13777, Enforcing the

Regulatory Reform Agenda, the Coast Guard is also requesting comments

on the extent to which this request for information could be modified

to reduce the burden on respondents. These comments will help OIRA

determine whether to approve the ICR referred to in this notice.

We encourage you to respond to this request by submitting comments

and related materials. Comments to Coast Guard or OIRA must contain the

OMB Control Number of the ICR. They must also contain the docket number

of this request, [USCG-2018-0498], and must be received by November 12,

2019.

Submitting Comments

We encourage you to submit comments through the Federal eRulemaking

Portal at [https://www.regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov/). If your material cannot be

submitted using [https://www.regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov/), contact the person in the

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this document for alternate

instructions. Documents mentioned in this notice, and all public

comments, are in our online docket at [https://www.regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov/) and

can be viewed by following that website's instructions. Additionally,

if you go to the online docket and sign up for email alerts, you will

be notified when comments are posted.

We accept anonymous comments. All comments received will be posted

without change to [https://www.regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov/) and will include any

personal information you have provided. For more about privacy and the

docket, you may review a Privacy Act notice regarding the Federal

Docket Management System in the March 24, 2005, issue of the Federal

Register (70 FR 15086).

OIRA posts its decisions on ICRs online at <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain> after the comment period for each ICR. An OMB notice

of Action on each ICR will become available via a hyperlink in the OMB

Control Number: 1625-0071.

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Previous Request for Comments

The Coast Guard published a 60-day notice (84 FR 5459, February 21,

2019) and a 30-day notice (84 FR 19097, May 3, 2019) requesting

comments, as required by 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2). The 30-day notice

elicited two comments which can be viewed at [https://www.regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov/) in the docket USCG-2018-0498. This request provides

a second 30-day comment period to address the public comments that we

received and to solicit comments on the changes we made to the

information collection request in response to the comments.

The first commenter noted that there is a workgroup developing

recommendations for improving recreational boating incident reporting

and opening communication between the Coast Guard and all levels of

enforcement. The commenter noted that the current form requires the

owner of the vessel to fill out the form and submit it to the Coast

Guard, but there is no efficient way for the states to require

recreational boat owners who are unwilling or unable to submit the

safety defect report to the Coast Guard.

The Coast Guard supports allowing additional entities to report

safety defects, and proposes to change the name of the report from

``Consumer Safety Defect Report'' to ``Recreational Boat Safety Defect

Report''. The respondants for this new form will expand from receiving

information from consumers (boat owners) to receiving information from

any source, including boat owners, law enforcement, marine

investigators, boat manufacturers, and the public. We will change the

``who is reporting'' section of the form to include places for names,

addresses, and contact info for a company or agency and add check boxes

for these additional sources to identify themselves as on the report,

such as owner, manufacturer, law enforcement officer, investigator, and

other. We will also collect vessel type, hull material, propulsion

type, engine drive type and fuel using the 33 CFR 173/174 terms for

those categories.

The second commenter said that the reporting form should not have

negative financial impacts on small business, service providers, or

individuals and that someone should compensate these entities for their

research. The commenter also noted that associated equipment can be

dangerous to owners and operators. We agree that defective equipment is

dangerous to vessel owners and operators. The purpose of submitting a

safety defect report to the Coast Guard is so that the Coast Guard can

look into the accuracy of the report and advise manufacturers in

repairing defects in their equipment before they become catastrophic

defects. The Safety Defect Report is not intended to cause negative

financial impact on those entities. Safety defect reporting advances

our maritime safety missions by asking vessel operators, and other

entities, to report any suspected safety defects to the Coast Guard.

The commenter did not give any suggestions on how to improve the

collection of information or the form. No changes to this collection

have been made at this time as a result of the second comment

Information Collection Request

Title: Recreational Boat Safety Defect Report.

OMB Control Number: 1625-0071.

Summary: The collection of information provides a means for boat

owners, law enforcement officers, marine investigators, boat

manufacturers and members of the public who believe a recreational boat

or piece of associated equipment contains a substantial risk defect or

fails to comply with Federal safety standards to report the

deficiencies to the Coast Guard for investigation and possible remedy.

Need: Title 46 U.S.C. 4310 gives the Coast Guard the authority to

require manufacturers of recreational boats and certain items of

associated equipment to notify owners and remedy: (1) Defects that

create a substantial risk of personal injury to the public; and (2)

failures to comply with applicable Federal safety standards.

Forms: CG-5578, Recreational Boat Safety Defect Report.

Respondents: Recreational boat owners, law enforcement officers,

marine investigators, boat manufacturers and members of the public who

use, build, enforce safety standards or investigate accidents of

recreational boats and designated associated equipment.

Frequency: One time.

Hour Burden Estimate: The estimated burden has decreased from 18

hours to 12 hours a year due to a decrease in the estimated annual

number of respondents.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C.

chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: October 8, 2019.

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Chief, Office of Information Management, U.S. Coast Guard.

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