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#### **Federal Aviation Administration**

Federal Aviation Administration

# Safe, Efficient Use and Preservation of the Navigable Airspace

Red

Popular Title: Safe Efficient Navigable Airspace

RIN 2120-AH31 Stage: Final Rule

Previous Stage: NPRM: Publication date 6/13/2006; End of Comment Period 9/11/2006.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend the regulations governing objects that may affect the navigable airspace. These rules have not been revised in several decades, and the FAA has determined it is necessary to update the regulations, incorporate case law and legislative action, and simplify the rule language. These changes will improve safety and promote the efficient use of the National Airspace System.

**Effects:** 

None

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 10/03/1988

Docket Number: FAA-2006-25002

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	10/01/2009		10/01/2009
To OMB	11/02/2009	02/22/2010	02/16/2010
OMB Clearance	02/01/2010	06/23/2010	06/28/2010
Publication Date	02/16/2010	07/15/2010	07/21/2010

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: 75 FR 42296

Federal Aviation Administration

# 2. Aging Aircraft Program (Widespread Fatigue Damage)

Red

Popular Title: Aging Aircraft Widespread Fatigue

RIN 2120-AI05

Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 4/18/2006; End of Comment Period 7/17/2006; Extended Comment Period 7/17/2006; End of Extended Comment Period 9/18/2006.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require design approval holders to establish limits of validity (LOVs) of the engineering data that support the maintenance programs for certain transport category airplanes, and it would require them to determine if maintenance actions are needed to prevent widespread fatigue damage before an airplane reaches its LOV. This rulemaking would require operators of any affected airplane to incorporate the LOV into the airworthiness limitations section of the instructions for continued airworthiness. This rulemaking would also prohibit operation of an affected airplane beyond the LOV, unless an operator has incorporated an extended LOV and any necessary service information into its maintenance program.

## **Effects:**

EU NAFTA Foreign

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 02/14/2004

Docket Number: FAA-2006-24281

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	05/14/2007	12/08/2009	12/30/2009
To OMB	06/20/2007	05/14/2010	05/05/2010
OMB Clearance	09/20/2007	08/05/2010	
Publication Date	09/28/2007	09/02/2010	

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Aviation Administration

# 3. Commuter Operations in Very Light Jets (VLJs)

Black

Popular Title: VLJ RIN 2120-AI84 Stage: Undetermined Previous Stage: None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would establish a rule to allow passenger-carrying commuter operations to be conducted under the provisions of part 135 using multiengine turbojets, certificated under either part 23 or part 25, configured with 9 or fewer passenger seats. The rulemaking would allow multiengine turbojet operators to provide commuter service to the traveling public, thus accommodating new technologies and a new generation of turbojet airplanes that otherwise would not be allowed in part 135 commuter service. Since 1995, turbojets used in scheduled operations must operate under the provisions of part 121. This current rulemaking resulted, in part, from recommendations from the Aviation Rulemaking Committee for parts 14 CFR 135/125 and covers pilot crew, equipment, training, and dispatch requirements for the safe operation of this new generation airplane. An earlier internet report listed this item as an NPRM with a scheduled publication date of 10/20/09.

FAA is now reconsidering what action to take with respect to this rulemaking.

**Effects:** 

Regulatory Flexibility Act

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 03/15/2006

**Docket Number:** 

**Dates for Undetermined:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST			
To OMB			
OMB Clearance			
Publication Date			
End of Comment Period			

**Explanation for any delay:** N/A

Federal Register Citation for Undetermined: None

Federal Aviation Administration

# 4. Re-registration and Renewal of Aircraft Registration

Red

**Popular Title**: Re-registration & Renewal of Aircraft Registration

RIN 2120-AI89
Stage: Final Rule

Previous Stage: NPRM: Publication Date 2/28/2008; End of Comment Period 8/28/2008

**Abstract:** This rule amends requirements concerning the registration of aircraft. The rulemaking is based on the need to increase and maintain the accuracy of aircraft registration information in the Civil Aviation Registry. This rule ensures aircraft owners periodically provide information regarding changes in registration. The rule responds to the concerns of law enforcement and other government agencies and provides more accurate, up-to-date aircraft registration information to all users of the Civil Aviation Registry database.

# **Effects:**

Information Collection **Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 11/30/2004

**Docket Number:** FAA-2008-0188

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	05/11/2009	05/28/2009	05/29/2009
Returned to Mode			07/10/2009
Resubmitted to OST			08/13/2009
Resubmitted to OST/2			09/18/2009

Returned to Mode/2			10/08/2009
Resubmitted to OST/3		01/15/2010	01/22/2010
To OMB	06/11/2009	03/05/2010	03/19/2010
OMB Clearance	09/11/2009	06/21/2010	06/22/2010
Publication Date	09/25/2009	06/30/2010	07/20/2010

Explanation for any delay: Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: 75 FR 41968

Federal Aviation Administration

# 5. Qualification, Service, and Use of Crewmembers and Aircraft Dispatchers

Red

**Popular Title:** Part 121, Subparts N and O

RIN 2120-AJ00 Stage: SNPRM

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 01/12/2009;End of Comment Period 05/12/2009;Extension of Comment Period 04/20/2009;End of Extension of Comment Period 08/10/2009.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend the regulations for crewmember and dispatcher training programs in domestic, flag, and supplemental operations. The rulemaking would enhance traditional training programs by requiring the use of flight simulation training devices for flight crewmembers and including additional training requirements in areas that are critical to safety. The rulemaking would also reorganize and revise the qualification and training requirements. The changes are intended to contribute significantly to reducing aviation accidents.

#### **Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act Information Collection

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 03/12/1999

**Docket Number:** FAA-2008-0677

Dates for SNPRM:

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	02/26/2010	05/27/2010	05/27/2010
Returned to Mode			06/18/2010
Resubmitted to OST		08/27/2010	
To OMB	03/12/2010	09/27/2010	
OMB Clearance	04/09/2010	12/28/2010	
Publication Date	04/20/2010	01/11/2011	
End of Comment Period	06/21/2010	03/11/2011	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for SNPRM: None

Federal Aviation Administration

Popular Title: SMS RIN 2120-AJ15

**Stage:** Undetermined

Previous Stage: ANPRM: Publication Date 7/23/2009; End of Comment Period

10/21/2009.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require a Safety Management System (SMS) for FAA certificate holders, certain product manufacturers, applicants, and employers. This action is being taken to further enhance the practice of managing safety, conducting risk and system assessments and analysis, undertaking preventive and corrective actions, and creating a safety culture. The intended effect of this action would make the United States compliant with International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) annexes.

## **Effects:**

Information Collection **Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 09/25/2007

Docket Number: FAA-2009-0671

**Dates for Undetermined:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST			
To OMB			
OMB Clearance			
Publication Date			
End of Comment Period			

**Explanation for any delay:** N/A

Federal Register Citation for Undetermined: None

Federal Aviation Administration

7.	Pilot-in-Command Proficiency Check and Other Changes to the Pilot and Pilot School Certification Rules	Green
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**Popular Title**: PIC Proficiency

RIN 2120-AJ18
Stage: Final Rule

Previous Stage: NPRM: Publication Date 08/31/2009; End of Comment Period 11/30/2009

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require proficiency checks for pilots in command (PIC's) of single-piloted turbojet powered airplanes, allow pilot schools to use Internet-based training without requiring schools to have a physical ground training facility, allow pilot schools and provisional pilot schools to apply for a combined private pilot certification and instrument rating course, and revise the definition of "complex airplane." FAA believes these actions are necessary to respond to changes in the aviation industry and to avoid imposing unnecessary regulatory burdens. The intended effect of this rulemaking would be to ensure flight crewmembers have the training and qualifications necessary to operate aircraft safely.

## **Effects:**

**Information Collection** 

**Prompting action:** None Legal Deadline: None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 07/24/2007

**Docket Number:** FAA-2008-0938

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	11/05/2010		
To OMB	12/08/2010		
OMB Clearance	03/09/2011		
Publication Date	03/24/2011		

Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Aviation Administration

Q	Certification of Turbofan Powered Airplanes and Miscellaneous	Green
٥.	Amendments	

**Popular Title**: Turbofan Powered Airplanes

RIN 2120-AJ22 Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 8/17/2009; End of Comment Period 11/16/2009; Extension of Comment Period 11/16/2009; End of Extended Comment Period 12/16/2009.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would address certification and operational issues surrounding the introduction of turbofan powered airplanes. This action is necessary to standardize certification requirements and consolidate these requirements into one location. The intent is to ensure the same standards apply to all light aircraft.

#### **Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 01/02/2008

Docket Number: FAA-2009-0738

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	02/11/2011		
To OMB	03/11/2011		
OMB Clearance	06/13/2011		
Publication Date	06/27/2011		

Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Aviation Administration

**Popular Title**: Supercooled Large Droplet Icing Conditions

RIN 2120-AJ34 Stage: NPRM

**Previous Stage:** None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend the airworthiness standards applicable to transport category airplanes certificated for flight in icing conditions and the icing airworthiness standards applicable to aircraft engines. The rulemaking would improve safety by taking into account supercooled large drop icing conditions for transport category airplanes most affected by supercooled large drop icing conditions. The rulemaking would also include mixed phase and ice crystal conditions for all transport category airplanes, and supercooled large drop, mixed phase, and ice crystal icing conditions for all turbine engines. This rulemaking is the result of information gathered from a review of icing accidents and incidents, and is intended to improve the level of safety for new airplane and engine designs for operations in icing conditions.

## **Effects:**

EU NAFTA Foreign

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 02/04/2008

**Docket Number: Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	12/15/2009	02/16/2010	02/05/2010
To OMB	01/15/2010	03/08/2010	03/19/2010
OMB Clearance	04/15/2010	06/21/2010	06/22/2010
Publication Date	04/29/2010	06/30/2010	06/29/2010
End of Comment Period	07/29/2010	09/30/2010	08/30/2010

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: 75 FR 37311

Federal Aviation Administration

# 10. Flightcrew Alerting (Formerly Warning, Caution and Advisory Lights) Green

**Popular Title**: Flightcrew Alerting

RIN 2120-AJ35
Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 7/09/2009; End of Comment Period 9/08/09; Reopening of Comment Period 9/16/2009; End of Reopened Comment Period 10/1/2009.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would update definitions, prioritization, color requirements, and performance concerning flightcrew alerting to reflect changes in technology and functionality in the airworthiness standards for transport category airplanes. The rulemaking would add additional alerting functions and consolidate and standardize definitions and regulations for flightcrew warning, caution, and advisory alerting systems. The intended effect of this action would harmonize standards between the FAA and European Aviation Safety Agency.

**Effects:** 

None

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 09/26/2000

**Docket Number:** FAA-2008-1292

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	08/24/2010		
To OMB	09/27/2010		
OMB Clearance	12/27/2010		
Publication Date	01/14/2011		

Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Aviation Administration

# Restrictions on Operators Employing Former Flight Standards Service Aviation Safety Inspectors

Yellow

Popular Title: Post Employment Restrictions

RIN 2120-AJ36 Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 11/20/2009; End of Comment Period 2/18/2010.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would prohibit a certificate holder from employing or contracting with a former Aviation Safety Inspector (ASI) or other person with certificate holder oversight responsibilities to act as an agent or to represent that certificate holder in any matter before the FAA. This restriction would apply if the person, in the proceeding two year period, has (a) served as, or was responsible for oversight of, a Flight Standards Service ASI; and (b) had the responsibility to inspect, or oversee the inspection of, the operations of the certificate holder. The rulemaking would enhance the FAAÂ's ability to properly perform its safety mission and to ensure that every passenger can have complete confidence in the integrity of the programs and operations administered by the FAA.

#### **Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 06/16/2008

Docket Number: FAA-2008-1154

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	01/25/2011		
To OMB	02/25/2011		
OMB Clearance	05/24/2011		
Publication Date	06/10/2011		

**Explanation for any delay:** N/A

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Aviation Administration

# 12. Airport Safety Management System

Red

**Popular Title**: Airport SMS

RIN 2120-AJ38 Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage: None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require airport operators to institute a safety management system at their airports. This action is necessary to improve safety through conformance with best practices in risk management and promote international harmonization with ICAO standards. The rule is intended to facilitate integration of formal risk management processes within the airportÂ's day-to-day operations.

#### **Effects:**

**Information Collection** 

Peer Review

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 07/22/2008

Docket Number:
Dates for NPRM:

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	02/17/2010	04/27/2010	04/27/2010
To OMB	03/18/2010	06/18/2010	06/17/2010
OMB Clearance	06/18/2010	09/20/2010	
Publication Date	07/02/2010	09/30/2010	
End of Comment Period	10/04/2010	11/30/2010	

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Aviation Administration

# 13. Photo Requirements for Pilot Certificates

Red

**Popular Title**: Photo Requirements

RIN 2120-AJ42 Stage: NPRM

**Previous Stage:** None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require digital photos on all pilot certificates. This action is necessary to update regulations about pilot plastic certificates. The intended effect of this action is to meet all requirements of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act.

## **Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Statute **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 09/30/2008

**Docket Number:** Dates for NPRM:

Milestone	Originally Scheduled	New Projected	Actual Date
	Date	Date	
To OST	08/24/2009	03/16/2010	03/10/2010
To OMB	09/24/2009	07/12/2010	07/14/2010
OMB Clearance	12/24/2009	10/14/2010	
Publication Date	01/15/2010	10/28/2010	
End of Comment Period	04/15/2010	01/28/2011	

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Aviation Administration

# 14. Part 121 - Activation of Ice Protection

Green

Popular Title: Part 121 - Ice Protection

RIN 2120-AJ43 **Stage:** Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 11/23/2009; End of Comment Period 02/22/2010

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend the regulations applicable to operators of certain airplanes used in air carrier service and certificated for flight in icing conditions. The standards would require either the installation of ice detection equipment or changes to the Airplane Flight Manual to ensure timely activation of the airframe ice protection system. This regulation is the result of information gathered from a review of icing accidents and incidents, and it is intended to improve the level of safety when airplanes are operated in icing conditions.

## **Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act

**Prompting action:** None Legal Deadline: None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 12/08/1997

**Docket Number:** FAA-2009-0675

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	01/03/2011		
To OMB	02/10/2011		
OMB Clearance	05/10/2011		
Publication Date	05/27/2011		

Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Aviation Administration

**Popular Title**: Part 129 Ops Specs

RIN 2120-AJ45 Stage: NPRM

**Previous Stage:** None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would clarify and standardize the rules for application, amendment, suspension or revocation of operations specifications issued to foreign air carriers operating in the United States. This action is necessary to update our processes for operations specifications. The intent of this action is to permit operations specifications to be easily revised and updated to meet international standards and the changing aviation environment.

#### **Effects:**

EU NAFTA Foreign

**Prompting action:** International Agreement

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 10/02/2004

**Docket Number:** FAA-2009-0140

**Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled	New Projected	Actual Date
	Date	Date	Date
To OST	07/22/2009	08/24/2009	08/25/2009
Returned to Mode			09/29/2009
Resubmitted to OST		11/03/2009	11/03/2009
Resubmitted to OST/2			12/16/2009
To OMB	08/24/2009	01/22/2010	01/22/2010
OMB Clearance	11/24/2009	04/22/2010	04/26/2010
Publication Date	12/08/2009	05/17/2010	05/07/2010
End of Comment Period	03/08/2010	08/17/2010	08/05/2010

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: 75 FR 25127

Federal Aviation Administration

# 16. Fatigue Tolerance Evaluation of Metallic Structures

Black

**Popular Title**: Fatigue Tolerance Evaluation of Metallic Structure

RIN 2120-AJ51
Stage: Undetermined

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 03/12/2010; End of Comment Period 06/10/2010; Extension of Comment Period 05/05/2010; End of Extended of Comment Period 07/30/2010.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would address advances in the fatigue tolerance evaluation safety requirements for transport category metallic structures. This action is necessary to avoid or reduce catastrophic fatigue failures. The intended effect is increased safety requirements and harmonization with international standards.

#### **Effects:**

**Information Collection** 

EU

NAFTA Foreign

**Prompting action:** Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

Legal Deadline: None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 03/31/2009

**Docket Number:** FAA-2009-0413

**Dates for Undetermined:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST			
To OMB			
OMB Clearance			
Publication Date			
End of Comment Period			

**Explanation for any delay:** N/A

Federal Register Citation for Undetermined: None

Federal Aviation Administration

Air Ambulance and Commercial Helicopter Operations; Safety Initiatives and Miscellaneous Amendments

Red

**Popular Title**: Helicopter Safety Initiatives and Misc Amendments

RIN 2120-AJ53 Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage: None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would change equipment and operating requirements for commercial helicopter operations, including many specifically for helicopter air ambulance operations. This rulemaking is necessary to increase crew, passenger, and patient safety. The intended effect is to implement the National Transportation Safety Board, Aviation Rulemaking Committee, and internal FAA recommendations.

#### **Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act

Prompting action: Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

Legal Deadline: None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 04/15/2009

**Docket Number: Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST			03/03/2010
To OMB	03/01/2010	06/06/2010	06/17/2010
OMB Clearance	06/01/2010	09/06/2010	
Publication Date	06/09/2010	09/22/2010	
End of Comment Period	09/09/2010	12/22/2010	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Aviation Administration

# 18. Flight and Duty Time Limitations and Rest Requirements

Red

**Popular Title**: Flight/Duty/Rest Requirements

RIN 2120-AJ58 Stage: NPRM

**Previous Stage:** None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would establish one set of flight time limitations, duty period limits, and rest requirements for pilots. The rulemaking is necessary to ensure that pilots have the opportunity to obtain sufficient rest to perform their duties. The objective of the rule is to contribute to and to improve aviation safety. This rulemaking is related to the following: an NPRM (RIN 2120-AF63), and a Withdrawal (RIN 2120-AI93).

## **Effects:**

**Economically Significant** 

Major

Regulatory Flexibility Act

**Prompting action:** Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

Legal Deadline: None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 06/24/2009

**Docket Number: Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled	New Projected	Actual Date
	Date	Date	
To OST	11/19/2009	02/17/2010	02/17/2010
To OMB	11/24/2009	09/15/2010	
OMB Clearance	12/24/2009	12/15/2010	
Publication Date	12/31/2009	12/26/2010	
End of Comment Period	04/30/2010	11/15/2010	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Aviation Administration

# 19. **Operation and Certification of Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (sUAS)** Green

**Popular Title**: Small Unmanned Aircraft

RIN 2120-AJ60 Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage: None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would enable small unmanned aircraft to safely operate in limited portions of the national airspace system (NAS). This action is necessary because it addresses the novel legal or policy issues about the minimum safety parameters for operating recreational remote control model and toy aircraft in the NAS. The intended effect of this action is to develop requirements and standards to ensure that risks are adequately mitigated, such that safety is maintained for the entire aviation community.

#### **Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 07/28/2009

**Docket Number: Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled	New Projected	Actual Date
	Date	Date	
To OST	01/24/2011		
To OMB	02/03/2011		
OMB Clearance	03/07/2011		
Publication Date	03/10/2011		
End of Comment Period	07/14/2011		

Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Aviation Administration

# 20. **Repair Stations**

Yellow

**Popular Title**: Repair Stations

RIN 2120-AJ61 Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage: None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would update and revise the regulations for repair stations. The action is necessary because many portions of the current regulations do not reflect current repair station business practices, aircraft maintenance practices, or advances in aircraft technology.

## **Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act

Federalism

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 06/26/2008

**Docket Number: Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	07/09/2010	11/15/2010	
To OMB	08/09/2010	12/15/2010	
OMB Clearance	11/08/2010	03/15/2011	
Publication Date	11/29/2010	03/29/2011	
End of Comment Period	02/22/2011	06/29/2011	

Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

# 21. First Officer Qualification Requirements for Part 121 Operations

**Popular Title**: First Officer Qualifications

RIN 2120-AJ67 Stage: ANPRM Previous Stage: None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would gather information on whether current eligibility, training, and qualification requirements are adequate for pilots engaged in part 121 and part 135 operations. This action is necessary because recent airline accidents and incidents have brought considerable attention to the experience level and training of air carrier flight crews. The FAA would use the gathered information to determine the necessity of creating new eligibility, training, and qualification regulations for flight crews and the changes the new regulations might include. The FAA has formed an Aviation Rulemaking Committee to review the information and provide recommendations.

#### **Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 10/20/2009

**Docket Number:** FAA-2010-0100

**Dates for ANPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled	New Projected	Actual Date
	Date	Date	
To OST	01/14/2010	01/14/2010	01/14/2010
To OMB	01/25/2010	02/02/2010	02/02/2010
OMB Clearance	02/08/2010	02/16/2010	02/03/2010
Publication Date	02/12/2010	02/18/2010	02/08/2010
End of Comment Period	06/14/2010		04/09/2010

Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for ANPRM: 75 FR 6164

Federal Aviation Administration

# 22. Update of Overflight Fees

Red

Green

**Popular Title**: Overflight Fees

RIN 2120-AJ68 Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage: None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would adjust existing overflight fees by using current FAA cost accounting data and air traffic activity data. This action is necessary because operational costs for providing air traffic control and related services for overflights have increased steadily since they were established in 2001.

#### Effects:

None

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 01/09/2009

**Docket Number: Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled	New Projected	Actual Date
	Date	Date	
To OST	03/12/2010	05/10/2010	05/12/2010
To OMB	04/12/2010	06/07/2010	06/17/2010
OMB Clearance	07/12/2010	09/07/2010	
Publication Date	07/20/2010	09/24/2010	
End of Comment Period	10/18/2010	12/27/2010	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Aviation Administration

22		Green
23.	Afghanistan	

**Popular Title**: Afghan SFAR

RIN 2120-AJ69 Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Approved 05/21/2010; Publication Date 05/26/2010; End

of Comment Period 06/10/2010.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would prohibit flight operations below flight level (FL) 160 within the territory and airspace of Afghanistan by all: U.S. air carriers; U.S. commercial operators; persons exercising the privileges of a U.S. airman certificate, except if the flight is on behalf of a foreign air carrier; and operators of U.S.-registered aircraft, except when such operators are foreign air carriers. The FAA finds this action necessary to prevent a potential hazard to persons and aircraft in engaged in such flight operations.

## **Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

Legal Deadline: None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 01/08/2010

**Docket Number:** 

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	09/07/2010		
To OMB	09/14/2010		
OMB Clearance	09/21/2010		
Publication Date	09/30/2010		

**Explanation for any delay:** N/A

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Aviation Administration

Green

**Popular Title**: Wildlife Hazard Assessment (WHA)

RIN 2120-AJ71 Stage: NPRM

**Previous Stage:** None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require a Wildlife Hazard Assessment (scientific evaluation of wildlife populations and their attractants) for certificated airports. This rulemaking would also require periodic completion of a wildlife hazard assessment, or continuous wildlife monitoring as an alternative to the assessment, and clarify requirements for those conducting an assessment. This rulemaking is intended to decrease direct hazards (animals striking aircraft) and indirect hazards (animal burrowing and nesting in or near aircraft or aircraft operations areas).

#### **Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

Legal Deadline: None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 03/02/2010

**Docket Number: Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	02/15/2011	2 000	
To OMB	03/17/2011		
OMB Clearance	06/14/2011		
Publication Date	06/24/2011		
End of Comment Period	09/22/2011		

Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Aviation Administration

# 25. Part 121 Exiting Icing Conditions

Green

**Popular Title**: Exiting Icing Conditions

RIN 2120-AJ74 Stage: NPRM

**Previous Stage:** None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require detection of ice formation behind the airframe ice protection system and, upon detection, would require the pilot to exit icing conditions. If adopted, this rule would apply to aircraft with a maximum takeoff weight of less than 60,000 pounds. This rulemaking is based on recommendations from an Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee working group after reviewing certain accidents and incidents. The intended effect of this action is to avoid similar accidents and incidents in the future.

## **Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 12/22/2009

**Docket Number: Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	06/16/2011		
To OMB	07/18/2011		
OMB Clearance	10/18/2011		
Publication Date	11/02/2011		
End of Comment Period	01/03/2012		

Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

# **Federal Highway Administration**

Federal Highway Administration

# 26. Real-Time System Management Information Program

Red

**Popular Title**: Real-Time Management

RIN 2125-AF19 Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 1/14/2009; End of Comment Period 4/14/2009.

**Abstract:** This action would establish a real-time system management information program to provide, in all States, the capability to monitor, in real-time, the traffic and travel conditions of the major highways of the United States. Section 1201 of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) provides that the purpose of this program would be to improve the security of the surface transportation system, to address the congestion problems facing motorists, to support improved response to weather events and surface transportation incidents and to facilitate national and regional highway traveler information.

#### **Effects:**

**Economically Significant** 

Major

**Prompting action:** Statute **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 10/31/2006

**Docket Number:** FHWA-2006-24219

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	08/28/2009	02/02/2010	02/02/2010
To OMB	09/28/2009	07/02/2010	07/14/2010
OMB Clearance	12/28/2009	10/02/2010	
Publication Date	01/04/2010	10/15/2010	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

# Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Highway Administration

# 27. National Tunnel Inspection Standards

Green

**Popular Title**: Tunnel Inspection

RIN 2125-AF24 Stage: NPRM

**Previous Stage:** ANPRM: Publication Date 11/18/08; End of Comment Period 2/17/09.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would revise 23 CFR Part 650 -- Bridges, Structures, and Hydraulics, by adding the National Tunnel Inspection Standards (NTIS) under Subpart E. We anticipate that the NTIS may be modeled after the existing National Bridge Inspection Standards and may include requirements for, among other things, inspection procedures, the qualifications and training of inspectors, and a National Tunnel Inventory.

**Effects:** 

None

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 01/30/2008

**Docket Number:** FHWA-2008-0038

**Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally	New	Actual
	Scheduled	Projected	Date
	Date	Date	
To OST	02/22/2010	01/26/2010	01/06/2010
To OMB	03/22/2010	04/08/2010	04/14/2010
OMB Clearance	06/22/2010	07/10/2010	06/15/2010
Publication Date	07/23/2010	07/23/2010	07/22/2010
End of Comment Period	09/23/2010	09/23/2010	09/20/2010

Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: 75 FR 42643

**Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration** 

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

# 28. Unified Registration System

Red

Popular Title: URS RIN 2126-AA22 Stage: SNPRM

**Previous Stage:** ANPRM: Publication Date 8/26/96; End of Comment Period 10/25/96.

NPRM: Publication Date 05/19/2005; End of Comment Period 08/17/2005.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would replace three current identification and registration systems: the US DOT number identification system, the commercial registration system, and the financial responsibility system, with an online Federal unified registration system (URS). This program would serve as a clearinghouse and depository of information on, and identification of, brokers, freight forwarders, and others required to register with the Department of Transportation. The Agency is revising this rulemaking to address amendments directed by SAFETEA-LU. The replacement system for the Single State

Registration System, which the ICC Termination Act originally directed be merged under URS, was addressed separately in RIN 2126-AB09. The cargo insurance portion of this rulemaking has been split off into RIN 2126-AB21.

#### **Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act Information Collection

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Final Rule (SAFETEA-LU): 08/10/2006

Final Rule (ICC Act): 01/01/1998

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 01/01/1996

**Docket Number:** FMCSA-97-2349

**Dates for SNPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	02/02/2007	08/23/2010	
To OMB	03/08/2007	09/27/2010	
OMB Clearance	06/08/2007	12/24/2010	
Publication Date	06/29/2007	01/07/2011	
End of Comment Period	09/28/2007	03/11/2011	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

Lack of resources

Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

Federal Register Citation for SNPRM: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

Application by Certain Mexico-Domiciled Motor Carriers to Operate 29. Beyond U.S. Municipalities and Commercial Zones on the U.S.-Mexico Border Red

**Popular Title**: Mexico-Domiciled Motor Carriers

RIN 2126-AA34
Stage: Undetermined

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 05/03/2001; End of Comment Period 07/02/2001. Interim Final Rule: Publication Date 03/19/2002; End of Comment Period 04/18/2002.

Abstract: This rulemaking would change FMCSA regulations to govern applications by Mexican carriers to operate beyond municipalities and commercial zones at the United State-Mexico border. It would also revise the application form, OP-1MX, to be filed by these Mexican motor carriers. The revised form would require additional information about the applicantÂ's business and operating practices to allow the FMCSA to determine if the applicant can meet the safety standards established for operating in interstate commerce in the United States. Carriers that had previously submitted an application would have to submit the updated form. These changes are needed to implement part of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). On January 16, 2003, the Ninth Circuit Court remanded this rule, along with two other NAFTA-related rules, to the agency, requiring a full environmental impact statement and an analysis required by the Clean Air Act. On June 7, 2004, the Supreme Court reversed the Ninth Circuit and remanded the case, holding that FMCSA is not required to prepare the environmental documents as ruled by the Ninth Circuit. FMCSA originally planned to publish a final rule by November 20, 2003. FMCSA will determine the next steps to be taken after enactment of any pending legislation

authorizing cross border trucking.

**Effects:** 

Information Collection NAFTA

**Prompting action:** International Agreement

Legal Deadline: None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 02/07/2001

**Docket Number:** FMCSA-98-3298

**Dates for Undetermined:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST			
To OMB			
OMB Clearance			
Publication Date			
End of Comment Period			

**Explanation for any delay:** Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

Federal Register Citation for Undetermined: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

30. Safety Monitoring System and Compliance Initiative for Mexico-Domiciled Motor Carriers Operating in the United States

Red

**Popular Title**: Safety Monitoring

RIN 2126-AA35
Stage: Undetermined

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 05/03/2001; End of Comment Period 07/02/2001. Interim Final Rule: Publication Date 03/19/2002; End of Comment Period 04/18/2002.

Abstract: This rule would implement a safety monitoring system and compliance initiative designed to evaluate the continuing safety fitness of all Mexico-domiciled carriers within 18 months after receiving a provisional Certificate of Registration or provisional authority to operate in the United States. It also would establish suspension and revocation procedures for provisional Certificates of Registration and operating authority, and incorporate criteria to be used by FMCSA in evaluating whether Mexico-domiciled carriers exercise basic safety management controls. The interim rule included requirements that were not proposed in the NPRM but which are necessary to comply with the FY-2002 DOT Appropriations Act. On January 16, 2003, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals remanded this rule, along with two other NAFTA-related rules, to the agency, requiring a full environmental impact statement and an analysis required by the Clean Air Act. On June 7, 2004, the Supreme Court reversed the Ninth Circuit and remanded the case, holding that FMCSA is not required to prepare the environmental documents. FMCSA originally planned to publish a final rule by November 28, 2003. FMCSA will determine the next steps to be taken after enactment of any pending legislation authorizing cross border trucking.

## **Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act Federalism Information Collection NAFTA **Prompting action:** International Agreement

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 02/07/2001 Docket Number: FMCSA-1998-3299

**Dates for Undetermined:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST			
To OMB			
OMB Clearance			
Publication Date			
End of Comment Period			

Explanation for any delay: Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

Federal Register Citation for Undetermined: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

# 31. Certification of Safety Auditors, Safety Investigators, and Safety Inspectors

Red

**Popular Title**: Safety Auditors Certification

RIN 2126-AA64 Stage: NPRM

**Previous Stage:** Interim Final Rule: Publication Date 03/19/2002; End of Comment Period 05/20/2002; Extension of Compliance 06/17/02; End of Extended Compliance 07/17/02. IFR Extension of Statutory Compliance Date: Publication Date 7/28/2003. Notice of Environmental Assessment: Publication Date 10/02/2003; End of Comment Period 11/03/2003. Notice of Statutory Compliance Date: Publication Date 12/23/2003; Compliance Date 1/01/2004.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require that any safety inspection, safety audit, or compliance review be conducted by a certified inspector, auditor, or investigator. It is required by section 211 of the Motor Carrier Safety Improvement Act. Based on comments to the Interim Final Rule (IFR), the agency will issue a NPRM that addresses issues not clarified in the IFR.

#### **Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** NPRM: 12/09/2000

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 12/09/1999 Docket Number: FMCSA-2001-11060

**Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	07/08/2005	03/14/2011	
To OMB	08/08/2005	04/15/2011	
OMB Clearance	11/07/2005	07/15/2011	
Publication Date	11/14/2005	07/26/2011	
End of Comment Period	01/13/2006	09/27/2011	

# Explanation for any delay: Other, higher priorities

Unanticipated impacts requiring further analysis Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

## Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

	Limitations on the Issuance of Commercial Driver Licenses with a	Green
32.	Hazardous Materials Endorsement	

**Popular Title**: USA PATRIOT Act Rule

RIN 2126-AA70

Stage: Interim Final Rule/4

**Previous Stage:** Interim Final Rule: Publication Date 05/05/2003; End of Comment Period 07/07/2003. IFR Delay of Compliance Date: Publication Date 11/07/2003; End of Comment Period 01/06/2004. IFR Delay of Compliance Date: Publication Date 08/19/2004; Interim Final Rule/3: Publication Date 08/19/2004.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would prohibit States from issuing, renewing, transferring or upgrading a commercial driverÂ's license (CDL) with a hazardous materials endorsement, unless the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) has first conducted a background check on the applicant and determined the applicant does not pose a security risk warranting denial of the hazardous materials endorsement. FMCSA and TSA simultaneously published interim final rules. FMCSA has published another IFR corresponding to TSAÂ's extension of compliance date. Since this rulemaking conforms to TSAÂ's rulemaking, the rulemaking is dependent upon TSA action. This action is considered significant because of substantial public and congressional interest, and national security.

## **Effects:**

**NAFTA** 

**Prompting action:** Statute **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 10/26/2001 **Docket Number:** FMCSA-2001-11117

**Dates for Interim Final Rule/4:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	03/22/2005		03/21/2005
To OMB			04/14/2005
OMB Clearance			04/25/2005
Publication Approved	05/26/2005		04/25/2005
Publication Date	05/31/2005		04/29/2005

**Explanation for any delay:** N/A

Federal Register Citation for Interim Final Rule/4: 70 FR 22268

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

# 33. Brokers of Household Goods Transportation by Motor Vehicle

Red

**Popular Title**: Household Goods Brokers

RIN 2126-AA84 Stage: Final Rule **Previous Stage:** ANPRM: Publication Date 12/22/2004; End of Comment Period 02/22/2005. NPRM: Publication date 2/8/2007; End of Comment Period 5/9/2007

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would address the American Moving and Storage AssociationÂ's petition for rulemaking and implement certain provisions of Subtitle B of SAFETEA-LU. FMCSA would determine in this rulemaking whether 49 CFR part 371 needs to be amended to protect consumers against unscrupulous brokers of household goods.

#### **Effects:**

Information Collection **Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Final Rule : 08/10/2006 **Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 05/12/2003 **Docket Number:** FMCSA-2004-17008

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	10/01/2008	09/27/2010	
To OMB	11/01/2008	10/29/2010	
OMB Clearance	02/01/2009	01/28/2011	
Publication Date	03/01/2009	02/08/2011	

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary

Other, higher priorities

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

# 34. Qualifications of Drivers; Diabetes Standard

Red

Popular Title: Diabetes Standard

RIN 2126-AA95 Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage: ANPRM: Publication Date 03/17/2006; End of Comment Period

06/15/2006.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking action would amend FMCSAÂ's medical qualification standards to allow drivers with insulin-treated diabetes mellitus to operate commercial motor vehicles in interstate commerce, without seeking an exemption from the FMCSRs. This action is required by SAFETEA-LU.

# **Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Initiate change : 11/10/2005 **Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/10/2005 **Docket Number:** FMCSA-2005-23151

**Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	07/19/2010	04/08/2011	
To OMB	08/20/2010	05/10/2011	

OMB Clearance	11/19/2010	08/10/2011	
Publication Date	11/30/2010	08/19/2011	
End of Comment Period	01/30/2011	10/19/2011	

**Explanation for any delay:** Lack of staffing

Other, higher priorities

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

# 35. National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners

Red

**Popular Title**: National Registry

RIN 2126-AA97 Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 12/01/08; End of Comment Period 01/30/09

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would establish training, testing and certification standards for medical examiners responsible for certifying that interstate commercial motor vehicle drivers meet established physical qualifications standards; provide a database (or National Registry) of medical examiners that meet the prescribed standards for use by motor carriers, drivers, and Federal and State enforcement personnel in determining whether a medical examiner is qualified to conduct examinations of interstate truck and bus drivers; and require medical examiners to transmit electronically to FMCSA the name of the driver and a numerical identifier for each driver that is examined. The rulemaking would also establish the process by which medical examiners that fail to meet or maintain the minimum standards would be removed from the National Registry. This action is in response to section 4116 of Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient, Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users.

#### **Effects:**

Major Unfunded Mandate Regulatory Flexibility Act Information Collection Privacy

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Final Rule : 08/10/2006 **Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/10/2005 **Docket Number:** FMCSA-2008-0363

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	12/21/2009	12/20/2010	
To OMB	01/21/2010	01/24/2011	
OMB Clearance	04/21/2010	04/25/2011	
Publication Date	05/05/2010	05/06/2011	

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary

Lack of resources Other, higher priorities

Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

# 36. Consumer Complaint Information

Red

**Popular Title**: Consumer Complaint Information

RIN 2126-AB01 Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 02/20/2008; End of Comment Period 4/21/2008. **Abstract:** The rulemaking would require each motor carrier of household goods to submit a quarterly report of specific identified information. This rule responds to SAFETEA-LU.

**Effects:** 

Information Collection

Privacy

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Report in place: 08/10/2006 **Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/10/2005 **Docket Number:** FMCSA-2008-0029

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	08/23/2010	03/14/2011	
To OMB	09/24/2010	04/15/2011	
OMB Clearance	12/24/2010	07/15/2011	
Publication Date	01/07/2011	07/26/2011	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

37. Commercial Driver's License Testing and Commercial Learner's Permit Standards

Red

**Popular Title**: Commercial Learner's Permit

RIN 2126-AB02 Stage: Final Rule

Previous Stage: NPRM: Publication Date 4/9/2008; End of Comment Period 6/9/2008; End

of Extended Comment Period 7/9/2008.

Abstract: This rulemaking would establish revisions to the commercial driver's license knowledge and skills testing standards as required by section 4019 of TEA-21, implement fraud detection and prevention initiatives at the State driver licensing agencies as required by the SAFE Port Act of 2006, and establish new minimum Federal standards for States to issue commercial learner's permits (CLPs), based in part on the requirements of section 4122 of SAFETEA-LU. In addition, to ensuring the applicant has the appropriate knowledge and skills to operate a commercial motor vehicle, this rule would establish the minimum information that must be on the CLP document and the electronic driverÂ′s record. The rule would also establish maximum issuance and renewal periods, establish a minimum age limit, address issues related to a driverÂ′s State of Domicile, and incorporate previous regulatory guidance into the Federal regulations. This rule would also address issues raised in the SAFE Port Act.

## **Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act

Federalism

**Information Collection** 

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Final Rule : 04/13/2008 **Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/10/2005 **Docket Number:** FMCSA-2007-27659

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	10/01/2009	08/23/2010	
To OMB	10/30/2009	09/23/2010	
OMB Clearance	01/29/2010	12/24/2010	
Publication Date	02/19/2010	01/07/2011	

**Explanation for any delay:** Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

Minimum Training Requirements for Entry Level Commercial Motor Vehicle Operations

Red

**Popular Title**: Entry Level Driver Training

RIN 2126-AB06 Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 12/26/2007; End of Comment Period 3/28/2008; Publication Date for Extension of Comment Period 3/21/2008; End of Extended Comment Period 5/23/2008.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require behind-the-wheel and classroom training for persons who must hold a commercial driver´s license to operate commercial motor vehicles. This action is in response to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit´s December 2005 decision remanding the May 21, 2004, Final Rule, "Minimum Training Requirements for Entry-Level Commercial Motor Vehicle Operators" to the Agency for further consideration. The rulemaking will consider the effectiveness of CMV driver training in reducing crashes, the appropriate types and levels of training that should be mandated, and related costs.

#### **Effects:**

Economically Significant

Major Federalism

**Prompting action:** Court Action

**Legal Deadline:** None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 04/19/2006 Docket Number: FMCSA-2007-27748

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date

To OST	10/16/2009	10/23/2010	
To OMB	11/16/2009	11/25/2010	
OMB Clearance	02/16/2010	02/25/2011	
Publication Date	02/26/2010	03/04/2011	

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary

Unanticipated impacts requiring further analysis

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

# 39. Carrier Safety Fitness Determination

Red

**Popular Title**: CSA 2010 Carrier Safety Fitness Determination

RIN 2126-AB11 Stage: NPRM

**Previous Stage:** None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would revise 49 CFR Part 385, Safety Fitness Procedures, in accordance with the AgencyÂ's major new initiative, Comprehensive Safety Analysis (CSA) 2010. CSA 2010 is a new operational model FMCSA plans to implement that is designed to help the Agency carry out its compliance and enforcement programs more efficiently and effectively. Currently, the safety fitness rating of a motor carrier is determined based on the results of a very labor intensive compliance review conducted at the carrierÂ's place of business. Aside from roadside inspections and new audits, the compliance review is the AgencyÂ's primary intervention. Under CSA 2010, FMCSA would propose to implement a broader array of progressive interventions, some of which allow FMCSA to make contact with more carriers. Through this rulemaking FMCSA would establish safety fitness determinations based on safety data consisting of crashes, inspections, and violation history rather than the standard compliance review. This will enable the Agency to assess the safety performance of a greater segment of the motor carrier industry with the goal of further reducing large truck and bus crashes and fatalities.

#### **Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

Legal Deadline: None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 06/21/2007 **Docket Number:** FMCSA-2004-18898

**Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled	New Projected	Actual Date
	Date	Date	
To OST	11/12/2007	10/02/2009	09/25/2009
Withdrawn from OST		03/22/2010	03/22/2010
Resubmitted to OST		11/29/2010	
To OMB	12/15/2007	12/31/2010	
OMB Clearance	03/15/2008	04/04/2011	
Publication Date	03/29/2008	04/14/2011	
End of Comment Period	06/29/2008	06/13/2011	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

Awaiting development of additional data

# Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

# Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

40. New Entrant Safety Assurance Process: Implementation of Section 210(b) Black of the Motor Carrier Safety Improvement Act of 1999

**Popular Title**: MCSIA 210(b)

RIN 2126-AB17
Stage: Undetermined

Previous Stage: ANPRM: Publication Date 08/25/2009; End of Comment Period

10/26/2009.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would consider methods for ensuring a new applicant carrier is knowledgeable about the applicable safety requirements before being granted New Entrant authority. The agency is considering whether to implement a proficiency examination as part of its revised New Entrant Safety Assurance Process as well as other alternatives. This rulemaking responds to issues raised in a petition from Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety regarding new entrant applicant knowledge.

#### Effects:

None

**Prompting action:** Court Action

Legal Deadline: None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 02/26/2009 **Docket Number:** FMCSA-2001-11061

**Dates for Undetermined:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST			
To OMB			
OMB Clearance			
Publication Date			
End of Comment Period			

Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for Undetermined: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

41. CMV Driver Positive Controlled Substances and Alcohol Test Results
Database

Red

**Popular Title:** CMV Driver Drug Testing Database

RIN 2126-AB18 Stage: NPRM

**Previous Stage:** None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would create a central database for verified positive controlled substances and alcohol test results for commercial driver´s license (CDL) holders and refusals by such drivers to submit to testing. This rulemaking would require employers of CDL holders and service agents to report positive test results and refusals to test into the database. Prospective employers, acting on an application for a CDL driver position with the

applicant's written consent to access the database, would query the database to determine if any specific information about the specific driver applicant is in the database before allowing the applicant to be hired and to drive CMVs. This rulemaking is intended to increase highway safety by ensuring CDL holders, who have tested positive or have refused to submit to testing, have completed the U.S. DOTÂ's return-to-duty process before driving CMVs in interstate or intrastate commerce.

#### **Effects:**

Information Collection

Privacy

**Prompting action:** Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

Legal Deadline: None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 03/01/2009

Docket Number:
Dates for NPRM:

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	02/01/2010	12/20/2010	
To OMB	03/01/2010	01/21/2011	
OMB Clearance	05/31/2010	04/22/2011	
Publication Date	06/18/2010	05/03/2011	
End of Comment Period	09/30/2010	07/04/2011	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

Other, higher priorities

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

42. Electronic On-Board Recorders and Hours of Service Supporting Documents

**Popular Title**: EOBR and HoS supporting documents

RIN 2126-AB20 Stage: NPRM

**Previous Stage:** Withdrawal of HoS Supp Docs NPRM: 7/13/07;

**Abstract:** This rulemaking will consider revisions to RIN 2126-AA89 (Electronic On-Board Recorders for Hours of Service Drivers) to expand the number of motor carriers required to install and operate Electronic On-Board Recorders (EOBRs). FMCSA is consolidating this follow-up to the EOBR rule with the Hours Of Service Of Drivers: Supporting Documents rulemaking for development of a single NPRM in RIN 2126-AB20. In addressing Hours of Service Supporting Documents requirements in this new rulemaking, FMCSA will consider reducing or eliminating current paperwork burdens associated with supporting documents in favor of expanded EOBR use.

#### **Effects:**

Information Collection

Privacy

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/26/1994

## **Docket Number:**

## **Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	04/05/2010	08/23/2010	
To OMB	05/14/2010	09/23/2010	
OMB Clearance	08/20/2010	12/23/2010	
Publication Date	09/03/2010	12/29/2010	
End of Comment Period	12/03/2010	03/01/2011	

Explanation for any delay: Awaiting development of additional data

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

43. **Drivers of Commercial Motor Vehicles: Limiting the Use of Wireless** Green Communication Devices

**Popular Title**: Texting

RIN 2126-AB22 Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** Proposed Rule NPRM: Publication Approved 03/31/2010; Publication Date 04/01/2010; End of Comment Pariod 05/02/2010

04/01/2010; End of Comment Period 05/03/2010.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would ban text messaging while operating a commerical motor vehicle. This rulemaking is in response to Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration-sponsored studies that analyzed safety incidents and distracted drivers. This rulemaking would also address the National Transportation Safety Board´s "Most Wanted List" of safety recommendations.

### **Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 09/11/2009 Docket Number: FMCSA-2009-0370

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	08/16/2010	08/02/2010	07/23/2010
To OMB	09/13/2010	08/23/2010	
OMB Clearance	10/01/2010	09/10/2010	
Publication Date	10/08/2010	09/17/2010	

**Explanation for any delay:** N/A

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

44. Hours of Service Green

**Popular Title**: HOS (Settlement Agreement)

RIN 2126-AB26

Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage: None

Abstract: On October 26, 2009, Public Citizen, et al. (Petitioners) and FMCSA entered into

a settlement agreement under which Petitioners´ petition for judicial review of the November 19, 2008, Final Rule on drivers´ hours of service will be held in abeyance pending the publication of an NPRM reevaluating the Hours of Service rule.

**Effects:** 

None

**Prompting action:** Settlement Agreement **Legal Deadline:** Final Rule : 07/26/2011

NPRM to OMB: 07/26/2010

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 10/26/2009

Docket Number:
Dates for NPRM:

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	06/24/2010		06/23/2010
To OMB	07/26/2010		07/26/2010
OMB Clearance	10/26/2010		
Publication Date	11/04/2010		
End of Comment Period	01/04/2011		

Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

45. Parts and Accessories Neccessary for Safe Operations: Antilock Brake Systems

Black

Popular Title: Antilock Brake System Indications

RIN 2126-AB27 Stage: Final Rule Previous Stage: : .

**Abstract:** This rule would make permanent a requirement that trailers with ABS have an

external malfunction indicator.

**Effects:** 

None

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 01/26/2010

**Docket Number: Dates for Final Rule:**No Schedule Available

Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

**Popular Title**: Restricting the Use of Cellular Phones

RIN 2126-AB29 Stage: NPRM

**Previous Stage:** None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would restrict the use of cell phones while operating a commercial motor vehicle. This rulemaking is in response to Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration-sponsored studies that analyzed safety incidents and distracted drivers. This rulemaking would also address the National Transportation Safety Board´s "Most Wanted List" of safety recommendations.

**Effects:** 

None

Prompting action: Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

Legal Deadline: None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 12/01/2009

Docket Number:
Dates for NPRM:

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	04/29/2010	08/11/2010	
To OMB	05/17/2010	09/01/2010	
OMB Clearance	05/28/2010	09/14/2010	
Publication Date	07/02/2010	09/21/2010	
End of Comment Period	09/03/2010	11/23/2010	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

## **Federal Railroad Administration**

Federal Railroad Administration

# 47. Roadway Worker Protection; Adjacent-Track On-Track Safety

Red

Popular Title: Roadway Worker Protection; Adjacent-Track On-Track

RIN 2130-AB96 Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 11/25/2009; End of Comment Period 1/25/2010.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would simplify the determination regarding whether or not adjacent track protection is required for roadway work groups engaged in large-scale maintenance or construction, pursuant to 49 CFR Part 214. The recent increase in roadway worker fatalities that have occurred on adjacent track has caused some concern at FRA and throughout the industry, even prompting the filing of a petition for emergency order. FRA issued a notice of safety advisory to address the issue in May of 2004; however, it appears that the effects were not long-lasting. This rulemaking is based on the consensus language developed through the Roadway Worker Protection (RWP) Working Group of FRAÂ's Railroad Safety Advisory Committee (RSAC).

Effects:

None

**Prompting action:** Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

Legal Deadline: None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/20/2008

**Docket Number:** FRA-2008-0059

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	04/08/2010	09/15/2010	
To OMB	05/14/2010	10/21/2010	
OMB Clearance	08/12/2010	01/19/2011	
Publication Date	08/26/2010	01/31/2011	

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Federal Railroad Administration

# 48. **Positive Train Control** Green

**Popular Title**: Positive Train Control Implementation

RIN 2130-AC03 Stage: Final Rule/2

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 07/21/2009; End of Comment Period 08/20/2009. Final Rule with Request for Comments: Publication Date 01/15/2010; End of Comment Period 02/16/2010.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would regulate the submission of Positive Train Control plans; the implementation of the Positive Train Control Systems; and the qualification, installation, maintenance and use of the these systems required under 49 USC 20157 or specifically required by the Federal Railroad Administration. A Final Rule with Request for comments was issued on 01/16/2010 and FRA is currently preparing responses to the comments received.

## **Effects:**

**Economically Significant** 

Major

Regulatory Flexibility Act

**Prompting action:** Statute **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 10/16/2008

**Docket Number:** FRA-2008-0132

**Dates for Final Rule/2:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	04/23/2010		04/24/2010
To OMB	05/25/2010	06/01/2010	06/02/2010
OMB Clearance	08/23/2010	08/30/2010	
Publication Date	09/07/2010	09/14/2010	

## Federal Register Citation for Final Rule/2: None

Federal Railroad Administration

49. Alcohol and Controlled Substance Testing for Maintenance-of-Way Employees

Red

**Popular Title**: Controlled Substance Testing/Maintenance Employees

RIN 2130-AC10 Stage: NPRM

**Previous Stage:** None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would revise the Federal Railroad AdministrationÂ's alcohol and drug regulations to cover all employees of railroads, railroad contractors, and subcontractors who perform maintenance-of-way activities. The rulemaking would also make other miscellaneous updates to 14 CFR Part 219.

**Effects:** 

None

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Final Rule : 10/16/2010 **Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 10/16/2008

**Docket Number:** FRA-2009-0039

**Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled	New Projected	Actual Date
	Date	Date	
To OST	09/08/2009	09/15/2010	
To OMB	10/07/2009	10/14/2010	
OMB Clearance	01/05/2010	01/12/2011	
Publication Date	01/13/2010	01/21/2011	
End of Comment Period	03/15/2010	03/22/2011	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Railroad Administration

# 50. Risk Reduction Program

Red

Popular Title: Risk Reduction Program

RIN 2130-AC11 Stage: ANPRM Previous Stage: None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require railroads to submit Risk Reduction Programs for review and approval to the FRA Administrator. These programs would be reviewed for annual compliance. The rulemaking would also ensure that railroads comply with their Positive Train Control (PTC) schedules and ensure railroads implement PTC by December 31, 2018, except as required by § 104 of the Rail Safety Improvement Act of 2008.

### **Effects:**

Economically Significant Major

Prompting action: Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Final Rule : 10/16/2012 **Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 10/16/2008

Docket Number: FRA-2009-0038

**Dates for ANPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled	New Projected	Actual Date
	Date	Date	
To OST	04/02/2010	08/16/2010	07/30/2010
To OMB	05/03/2010	09/03/2010	
OMB Clearance	05/17/2010	09/20/2010	
Publication Date	05/25/2010	10/01/2010	
End of Comment Period	07/26/2010	11/30/2010	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for ANPRM: None

Federal Railroad Administration

## 51. Hours of Service: Passenger Train Employees

Red

**Popular Title**: Hours of Service - Passenger Train Employees

RIN 2130-AC15 Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage: None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would establish hours of service requirements for train

employees engaged in commuter and intercity passenger rail transport.

**Effects:** 

**Economically Significant** 

Major

Information Collection **Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Final Rule : 10/16/2011 **Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 10/16/2008

Docket Number:
Dates for NPRM:

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	11/12/2009	08/13/2010	
To OMB	12/10/2009	09/14/2010	
OMB Clearance	03/10/2010	12/13/2010	
Publication Date	03/18/2010	12/27/2010	
End of Comment Period	05/18/2010	02/25/2011	

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Railroad Administration

# to Support Intercity Passenger Rail Service

**Popular Title**: High-Speed Rail Corridor Development

RIN 2130-AC17 Stage: NPRM

**Previous Stage:** : None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would prescribe procedures and schedules for the awarding of grants to eligible applicants under this title to assist in financing the capital costs of facilities, infrastructure, and equipment necessary to provide or improve intercity passenger rail transportation.

**Effects:** 

**Economically Significant** 

Major

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Final Rule - High Speed Development : 10/16/2009

Final Rule - Capital Investment Grants: 10/16/2010

**Rulemaking Project Initiated: 10/16/2008** 

Docket Number: FRA-2009-0106

**Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	05/10/2010	09/20/2010	
To OMB	06/07/2010	10/19/2010	
OMB Clearance	09/07/2010	01/17/2011	
Publication Date	09/16/2010	01/28/2011	
End of Comment Period	11/16/2010	03/29/2011	

**Explanation for any delay:** N/A

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Federal Railroad Administration

Restriction of Improper Use of Cellular Telephones and Other Electronic and Electrical Devices Green

**Popular Title**: Restriction of Cellular Telephones and Devices

RIN 2130-AC21 Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 05/18/2010;End of Comment Period 06/17/2010.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would restrict railroad operating employees from improperly

using cellular telephones and other distracting electronic and electrical devices.

**Effects:** 

None

**Prompting action:** Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 11/09/2009

Docket Number: FRA-2009-0118

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	08/27/2010	08/23/2010	
To OMB	09/27/2010	09/03/2010	
OMB Clearance	10/15/2010	09/17/2010	
Publication Date	10/28/2010	09/21/2010	

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

**Federal Transit Administration** 

Federal Transit Administration

## 54. Major Capital Investment Projects

Red

**Popular Title**: New Starts (Major Capital Investment Projects)

RIN 2132-AB02 Stage: ANPRM Previous Stage: None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking, mandated specifically by 49 U.S.C. 5309(e)(9), is intended to make changes to the regulations that govern the New Starts discretionary funding program authorized by 49 U.S.C. 5309. FTAÂ's initial rulemaking on this subject (RIN 2132-AA81), initiated to meet the statutory deadline, was terminated as the result of subsequent Congressional action prohibiting FTA from issuing a rule. This ANPRM is FTAÂ's new start on a rulemaking on this subject; this rulemaking was initiated 3/8/10.

## **Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Final Rule by : 04/07/2006 **Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 03/08/2010

**Docket Number:** FTA-2010-0009

**Dates for ANPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled	New Projected	Actual Date
	Date	Date	
To OST	04/02/2010		04/01/2010
To OMB	04/09/2010		04/27/2010
OMB Clearance	04/23/2010	05/28/2010	05/28/2010
Publication Date	04/30/2010	06/04/2010	06/03/2010
End of Comment Period	06/29/2010	07/05/2010	08/02/2010

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary

Unanticipated impacts requiring further analysis

Federal Register Citation for ANPRM: 75 FR 31383

**Maritime Administration** 

Maritime Administration

**Popular Title**: Foreign Reconstruction and Rebuild Determinations

RIN 2133-AB69 Stage: Withdrawal

Previous Stage: Notice Requesting Comments: Publication Date 11/14/2007; End of

Comment Period 1/14/2008.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would have considered whether to amend the Capital Construction Fund and cargo preference regulations to set out specific procedures for determining when a vessel is no longer eligible for such programs because the vessel has been either reconstructed or rebuilt abroad. The rule is being withdrawn because the issue has been addressed by court decisions.

**Effects:** 

Foreign

**Prompting action:** Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 05/29/2007

**Docket Number:** 

**Dates for Withdrawal:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	06/11/2010	08/27/2010	
Publication Date	07/16/2010	09/30/2010	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for Withdrawal: None

Maritime Administration

Regulations To Be Followed by All Departments, Agencies and Shippers

Having Responsibility To Provide a Preference for U.S.-Flag Vessels in the Shipment of Cargoes on Ocean Vessels.

Black

Popular Title: Cargo Preference

RIN 2133-AB74
Stage: Undetermined

**Previous Stage:** ANPRM: Publication Date 03/04/09; End of Comment Period 05/04/09

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would revise and clarify the Cargo Preference rules that have not been revised substantially since 1971. Revisions would include an updated purpose and definitions section along with the removal of obsolete provisions.

**Effects:** 

**Information Collection** 

Foreign

Prompting action: Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

Legal Deadline: None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 06/21/2008

**Docket Number:** 

**Dates for Undetermined:** 

Milestone	Originally	New	Actual	
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	Scheduled Date	Projected Date	Date
To OST			
To OMB			
OMB Clearance			
Publication Date			
End of Comment Period			

Federal Register Citation for Undetermined: None

Maritime Administration

		Black
37.	Collection of Civil Penalties	

**Popular Title**: Cargo Preference Statutory Changes

RIN 2133-AB75
Stage: Undetermined
Previous Stage: None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would establish Part 383 of the Cargo Preference regulations. This rulemaking would cover P.L. 110-417, Section 3511 National Defense Authorization Act for FY2009 statutory changes to the cargo preference rules, which have not been substantially revised since 1971. The rulemaking also would include compromise, assessment, mitigation, settlement, and collection of civil penalties.

### **Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act Information Collection

Foreign

**Prompting action:** Statute **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated: 10/14/2008** 

**Docket Number:** 

**Dates for Undetermined:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST			
To OMB			
OMB Clearance			
Publication Date			
End of Comment Period			

**Explanation for any delay:** N/A

Federal Register Citation for Undetermined: None

**National Highway Traffic Safety Administration** 

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

**Popular Title**: Ejection Mitigation

RIN 2127-AK23 Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 12/2/2009; End of Comment Period 2/2/2010.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would create a new Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) for reducing occupant ejection. Currently, there are over 52,000 annual ejections in motor vehicle crashes, and over 10,000 ejected fatalities per year. This rulemaking would propose new requirements for reducing occupant ejection through passenger vehicle side widows. The requirement would be an occupant containment requirement on the amount of allowable excursion through passenger vehicle side windows. The SAFETEA-LU legislation requires that: "[t]he Secretary shall also initiate a rulemaking proceeding to establish performance standards to reduce complete and partial ejections of vehicle occupants from outboard seating positions. In formulating the standards the Secretary shall consider various ejection mitigation systems. The Secretary shall issue a final rule under this paragraph no later than October 1, 2009." The SAFETEA-LU legislation also requires that, if the Secretary determines that the subject final rule deadline cannot be met, the Secretary shall notify and provide an explanation to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation and the House of Representatives Committee on Energy and Commerce of the delay. On September 24, 2009, the Secretary provided appropriate notification to Congress that the final rule will be delayed until January 31, 2011.

#### **Effects:**

**Economically Significant** 

Major

**Unfunded Mandate** 

EU

NAFTA

Foreign

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Final Rule : 10/01/2009 **Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/10/2005

**Docket Number:** NHTSA-2009-0183

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	09/17/2010		
To OMB	10/29/2010		
OMB Clearance	01/28/2011		
Publication Date	01/31/2011		

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

# 59. Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 111, Rearview Mirrors

Red

**Popular Title**: Rearview Mirrors

RIN 2127-AK43 Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage: ANPRM: Publication Date 03/04/09; End of Comment Period 05/04/09

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend Federal Motor Vehicle Standard No. 111; Rearview Mirrors, to reflect requirements contained in the Cameron Gulbransen Kids Transportation Safety Act of 2007. The Act requires that NHTSA expand the required field of view to enable the driver of a motor vehicle to detect areas behind the motor vehicle to reduce death and injury resulting from backing incidents, particularly incidents involving small children and disabled persons. According to the Act, such a standard may be met by the provision of additional mirrors, sensors, cameras, or other technology to expand the driver´s field of view.

**Effects:** 

EU NAFTA Foreign

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Initiate rulemaking: 02/28/2009

Final Rule: 02/28/2011

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 11/06/2008

**Docket Number:** NHTSA-2009-0041

**Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST			06/16/2010
To OMB	11/26/2009	08/09/2010	08/09/2010
OMB Clearance	02/25/2010	11/09/2010	
Publication Date	02/28/2010	11/17/2010	
End of Comment Period	04/27/2010	01/16/2011	

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

# 60. FMVSS No. 118 Automatic Reversal Systems

Red

**Popular Title**: Automatic Reversal Systems

RIN 2127-AK52 Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 9/01/2009; End of Comment Period 11/02/2009.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require automatic reversal systems (ARS) only on those windows that close without continuous actuation of the window switch by the window operator. This rulemaking was initiated per requirements in the Cameron Gulbransen Kids Transportation Safety Act of 2007.

**Effects:** 

EU NAFTA Foreign

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Initiate Rulemaking: 08/28/2009

Final Rule: 08/28/2010

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 06/25/2009

Docket Number: NHTSA-2009-0154

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	04/11/2010	08/10/2010	
To OMB	05/26/2010	08/20/2010	
OMB Clearance	08/25/2010	08/25/2010	
Publication Date	08/28/2010	08/28/2010	

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

# 61. Require Installation of Seat Belts on Motorcoaches, FMVSS No. 208

Red

**Popular Title**: Seat Belts on Motorcoaches

RIN 2127-AK56 Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage: None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require the installation of lap/shoulder belts in newlymanufactured motorcoaches. Specifically, this rulemaking would establish a new definition for motorcoaches in 49 CFR Part 571.3. It would also amend Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 208, "Occupant crash protection," to require the installation of lap/shoulder belts at all driver and passenger seating positions. It would also require the installation of lap/shoulder belts at driver seating positions of large school buses in FMVSS No. 208. This rulemaking responds, in part, to recommendations made by the National Transportation Safety Board for improving bus safety.

### **Effects:**

EU NAFTA Foreign

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/12/2009

Docket Number:
Dates for NPRM:

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	09/23/2009	11/21/2009	11/13/2009
Returned to Mode			01/16/2010
Resubmitted to OST			03/15/2010
To OMB	10/24/2009	06/09/2010	05/06/2010
OMB Clearance	01/25/2010	09/09/2010	
Publication Date	02/05/2010	09/16/2010	
End of Comment Period	04/05/2010	10/16/2010	

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

# 62. Vehicle Labeling - Fuel Economy, Greenhouse Gas and Other Emissions Green

Popular Title: Fuel Economy Vehicle Labeling

RIN 2127-AK73 Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage: None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would respond to requirements of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (EISA), Title 1, Subtitle A, Section 105, as it amends 49 USC § 32908, to implement regulations to display new information on the vehicle label that would make it easy for consumers to compare fuel economy, greenhouse gas and other emissions of automobiles at the point of purchase. EISA, signed into Law on December 19, 2007, requires that the Secretary issue a final rule not later than 42 months after the date of the enactment.

### **Effects:**

EU NAFTA Foreign

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Final rule : 06/19/2011 **Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 12/19/2007

**Docket Number: Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	07/19/2010		07/01/2010
To OMB	08/26/2010		07/29/2010
OMB Clearance	11/25/2010		
Publication Date	11/30/2010		
End of Comment Period	01/31/2011		

**Explanation for any delay:** N/A

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

63. Commercial Medium- and Heavy-Duty On-Highway Vehicles and Work Truck Fuel Efficiency Standards

Popular Title: Medium- and Heavy-Duty Truck Fuel Efficiency

RIN 2127-AK74 Stage: NPRM

**Previous Stage:** None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would respond to requirements of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended by the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007. The statute requires that rulemaking begin with a report by the National Academy of Sciences evaluating medium-duty and heavy-duty truck fuel economy standards. The National Academy provided Congress and NHTSA with this report on March 18, 2010. EISA then requires that NHTSA provide Congress a report that examines the fuel efficiency of

commercial medium- and heavy-duty on-highway vehicles and work trucks and determines the appropriate test procedures and methodologies for measuring the fuel efficiency of such vehicles, the appropriate metric for measuring the fuel efficiency of such vehicles, the range of factors that affect the fuel efficiency of these vehicles, and other factors that could impact a program to improve the fuel efficiency of these vehicles. Once that report has been delivered to Congress, NHTSA has 24 months to complete a final rule establishing a fuel efficiency program for these vehicles. The law provides that the new standards must provide at least 4 full model years of regulatory leadtime and 3 full model years of regulatory stability (i.e., the standards must remain in effect for 3 years before they may be amended). On May 21, 2010, President Obama issued a memorandum directing NHTSA and EPA conduct a joint rulemaking (NHTSA regulating fuel efficiency and EPA regulating greenhouse gas emissions), and to issue a final rule by July 30, 2011.

### **Effects:**

**Economically Significant** 

Major

**Unfunded Mandate** 

EU

NAFTA

Foreign

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Report to Congress: 09/30/2010

Final rule: 09/28/2012

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 12/19/2007

**Docket Number: Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled	New Projected	Actual Date
	Date	Date	
To OST	05/27/2011	08/04/2010	08/04/2010
To OMB	06/26/2011	08/11/2010	
OMB Clearance	09/25/2011	09/27/2010	
Publication Date	09/30/2011	09/30/2010	
End of Comment Period	11/30/2011	11/30/2010	

**Explanation for any delay:** N/A

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Consumer Information of Fuel Economy, Emissions and Alternative Fuel Vellow Usage -Fuel Tank Labels

**Popular Title**: Fuel Economy Fuel Tank Labelling

RIN 2127-AK75 Stage: NPRM

**Previous Stage:** None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would respond to requirements of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (EISA), Title 1, Subtitle A, Section 105, as it amends 49 USC § 32908, to implement Consumer Information and Consumer Education programs related to fuel economy, GHG, other emissions, and alternative fuels. EISA directs the Secretary of Transportation to label vehicles with a permanent and prominent display that an automobile is capable of operating on alternative fuels, and to include in the ownerÂ's manual for

vehicles capable of operating on alternative fuels information that describes that capability and the benefits of using alternative fuels, including the renewable nature and environmental benefits of using alternative fuels. Additionally, EISA requires a label to be attached to the fuel compartment of vehicles capable of operating on alternative fuels, with the form of alternative fuel stated on the label. EISA, signed into Law on December 19, 2007, requires that the Secretary issue a final rule not later than 42 months after the date of the enactment.

### **Effects:**

EU NAFTA Foreign

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Final rule : 06/19/2011 **Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 12/19/2007

**Docket Number: Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	07/19/2010	10/25/2010	
To OMB	08/26/2010	11/26/2010	
OMB Clearance	11/25/2010	12/29/2010	
Publication Date	11/30/2010	01/25/2011	
End of Comment Period	01/31/2011	03/24/2011	

Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

# 65. Tire Fuel Efficiency Consumer Information - Part 2

Green

**Popular Title**: Tire Efficiency Consumer Information Labelling

RIN 2127-AK76 Stage: NPRM

**Previous Stage:** None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would respond to requirements of the Energy Independence & Security Act of 2007 to establish a national tire fuel efficiency consumer information program for replacement tires designed for use on motor vehicles. On March 30, 2010, NHTSA published a final rule specifying the test procedures to be used to rate the performance of replacement passenger car tires for this new program (75 FR 15893). This rulemaking would address how this information would be made available to consumers.

### **Effects:**

EU NAFTA Foreign

**Prompting action:** Statute **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 12/19/2007

Docket Number:
Dates for NPRM:

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	02/10/2011		
To OMB	03/24/2011		
OMB Clearance	06/23/2011		
Publication Date	06/30/2011		
End of Comment Period	08/29/2011		

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Passenger Car and Light Truck Corporate Average Fuel Economy
Standards MYs 2017 and Beyond
Green

Popular Title: CAFE 2017 and Beyond

RIN 2127-AK79
Stage: Notice

**Previous Stage:** None

Abstract: This rulemaking would establish Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) standards for light trucks and passenger cars for model years 2017 and beyond. This rulemaking would respond to requirements of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, as amended by the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007. The statute requires that CAFE standards be prescribed separately for passenger automobiles and non-passenger automobiles to achieve a combined fleet fuel economy of at least 35 mpg by model year 2020. For model years 2021 and beyond, the statute requires that the average fuel economy required to be attained by each fleet of passenger and non-passenger automobiles be the maximum feasible for each model year. The law requires the standards be set at least 18 months prior to the start of the model year. On May 21, 2010, President Obama issued a memorandum directing NHTSA and EPA to conduct a joint rulemaking (NHTSA regulating fuel economy and EPA regulating greenhouse gas emissions), and to issue a Notice of Intent to Issue a Proposed Rule (NOI) by September 30, 2010.

### **Effects:**

**Economically Significant** 

Major

**Unfunded Mandate** 

EU

NAFTA

Foreign

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Final rule: : 04/01/2015 **Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 12/19/2007

**Docket Number: Dates for Notice:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	07/01/2010	09/07/2010	
То ОМВ	07/28/2010	09/15/2010	

OMB Clearance	09/27/2010	09/27/2010	
Publication Date	09/30/2010	09/30/2010	

Federal Register Citation for Notice: None

Office of the Secretary

Office of the Secretary

# 67. Accessibility of Passenger Vessels to Individuals with Disabilities

Red

Popular Title: Accessibility-passenger vessels

RIN 2105-AB87 Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** ANPRM: Publication Date 11/29/2004;End of Comment Period 03/28/2005;Publication Date for Extension of Comment Period 03/28/2005;End of Extended Comment Period 07/28/2005. NPRM: Publication Date 1/23/2007; End of Comment Period 4/23/2007; Extension of Comment Period 4/13/2007; End of Extended Comment Period 6/22/2007; Reopening of Comment Period 4/8/2006; End of Reopened Comment Period 4/23/2008.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would address accessibility issues and propose feasible requirements to make passenger vessels accessible to, and usable by, individuals with disabilities. The DepartmentÂ's Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) final rule, published September 6, 1991, reserved portions of the rule concerning passenger vessels. The ADA covers passenger vessels, but issuing accessibility requirements for vessels involves complex issues unlike those affecting land transportation.

### Effects:

EU NAFTA Foreign

**Prompting action:** Statute **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 07/26/1990

Docket Number: OST-2007-26829

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	06/24/2009	10/05/2009	09/17/2009
Resubmitted to OST			11/02/2009
To OMB	07/23/2009	01/15/2009	01/20/2010
OMB Clearance	10/23/2009	05/15/2010	05/21/2010
Publication Date	11/25/2009	06/30/2010	07/06/2010
End of Comment Period			10/04/2010

**Explanation for any delay:** Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: 75 FR 38877

Office of the Secretary

**Popular Title**: Aviation Data

RIN 2105-AC71
Stage: Undetermined

**Previous Stage:** ANPRM: Publication Date 07/15/1998; End of Comment Period 09/14/1998; End of Reply Comment Period 10/13/1998. NPRM: Publication Date

02/17/2005;End of Comment Period 04/18/2005;Extension of Comment Period Publication

Date 07/18/2005; End of Extended Comment Period 9/18/2005.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking requested public comments from reporting carriers and aviation data users on the nature, scope, source, and means for collecting, processing, and distributing airline traffic, fare, and financial data. Specifically, it invited comments on whether existing airline traffic, fare, and financial data should be amended, supplemented, or replaced; whether selected forms and reports should be retained, modified, or eliminated; whether OST should require all aviation data to be filed electronically; and how the aviation data system should be reengineered to enhance efficiency and to reduce costs for both the Department and the airline industry.

### **Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 04/15/1998

Docket Number: OST-1998-4043

**Dates for Undetermined:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST			
To OMB			
OMB Clearance			
Publication Date			
End of Comment Period			

Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for Undetermined: None

Office of the Secretary

69. **Transportation for Individuals with Disabilites'' Miscellaneous Amendments**Black

Popular Title: ADA Miscellaneous Amendments

RIN 2105-AD54 Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 02/27/2006; End of Comment Period 4/28/2006; Extension of Comment Period 5/1/2006; End of Extended Comment Period 7/28/2006.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend several regulations regarding rail station platform standards, reasonable modifications of policies and procedures, and pedestrian access; it would also codifying existing DOT procedures for issuing interpretations and guidance. This rulemaking was recently upgraded to significant.

### **Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/15/2005

Docket Number: OST-2006-23985

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST			
To OMB			
OMB Clearance			
Publication Date			
End of Comment Period			

Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Office of the Secretary

# 70. **Protection of Sensitive Security Information** Black

**Popular Title:** SSI-TSA

RIN 2105-AD59
Stage: Undetermined

Previous Stage: Interim Final Rule: Publication Date 05/18/2004; End of Comment Period

07/19/2004.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would finalize a May 2004 interim final rule and respond to any comments received on that action. The Departments are coordinating an imminent meeting to decide certain threshold issues and set a schedule for the rulemaking.

### **Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 09/02/2002

**Docket Number:** TSA-2003-15569

**Dates for Undetermined:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST			
To OMB			
OMB Clearance			
Publication Date			
End of Comment Period			

Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for Undetermined: None

Office of the Secretary

Popular Title: DPA RIN 2105-AD83 Stage: NPRM

**Previous Stage:** None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would clarify the prioritization and allocation authorities exercised by the Secretary of Transportation under the Defense Production Act (DPA). The DPA is the PresidentÂ's primary authority to ensure timely availability of private sector resources for national defense. In addition to military and energy activities, the definition of "national defense" includes emergency preparedness activities conducted pursuant to Title VI of The Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act and the protection and restoration of critical infrastructure. Under Title I of the DPA, the President has the authority to require the acceptance and prioritization of contracts and orders -- and to allocate materials, services, and facilities -- in support of the national defense. Under Section 201 of Executive Order 12919, the President has delegated these prioritization and allocation authorities to the Secretary of Transportation for all forms of civil transportation. In the 2009 DPA reauthorization legislation, Congress mandated that each Federal agency with delegated authority under Title I of the DPA develop final rules that establish standards and procedures for implementing its delegated authority in emergency and nonemergency conditons. Additionally, Congress mandated that, to the extent practacable, the rules be consistent and unifed. DOT is part of an interageny working group, along with the other delegated agencies, that is developing consistent unifed rules.

### **Effects:**

Information Collection **Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Final rule : 06/27/2010 **Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 01/07/2009

Docket Number:
Dates for NPRM:

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	01/09/2009	08/17/2010	
To OMB	02/01/2009	09/16/2010	
OMB Clearance	03/01/2009	11/16/2010	
Publication Date	03/01/2009	11/16/2010	
End of Comment Period	05/01/2009	12/16/2010	

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Office of the Secretary

72. NPRM On the Use of the Seat-Strapping Method for Carrying a Wheelchair Red on an Aircraft

Popular Title: Seat-Strapping

RIN 2105-AD87 Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage: None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would address whether carriers should be allowed to utilize the seat-strapping method to stow a passengerÂ's wheelchair in the aircraft cabin.

**Effects:** 

Regulatory Flexibility Act

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 04/30/2009

**Docket Number: Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	03/05/2010	09/11/2010	
To OMB		10/01/2010	
OMB Clearance		01/28/2011	
Publication Date	03/29/2010	02/09/2010	
End of Comment Period	05/29/2010	04/07/2011	

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Office of the Secretary

# 73. Stowage of Wheelchairs, other mobility Aids and other Assistive Devices

Red

Popular Title: Stowage and Assistive Devices

RIN 2105-AD90 Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage: None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend 14 CFR Part 382 (Part 382) by including Subpart I (14 CFR 382.121-382.133) in the list of subparts with which a U.S. carrier must comply with respect to passengers traveling under its code on flights operated by a foreign carrier between two foreign points. This rulemaking would also amend Part 382 to eliminate the labeling requirements for FAA approved portable oxygen concentrators and specify that ventilators, respirators and Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP) machines must be allowed for use in the passenger cabin as long as they comply with applicable safety, security, and hazardous materials rules. In addition, this rule would amend the provision in Part 382 that allows carriers to require a passenger who wishes to use an FAA-approved portable oxygen concentrator in the aircraft cabin to provide a medical certificate dated within 10 days of the passengerÂ's initial flight.

### **Effects:**

EU NAFTA Foreign

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 03/02/2009

**Docket Number: Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally	New	Actual

	Scheduled Date	Projected Date	Date
To OST	05/12/2010	08/23/2010	
To OMB		09/15/2010	
OMB Clearance		12/15/2010	
Publication Date	06/09/2010	12/23/2010	
End of Comment Period	08/09/2010	02/23/2011	

Explanation for any delay: Unanticipated impacts requiring further analysis

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Office of the Secretary

# 74. Accessibility of Airports

Red

Popular Title: Accessibility of Airports

RIN 2105-AD91 Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage: None

**Abstract:** The rulemaking would include new provisions related to service animal relief areas and closed captioning of televisions and audio-visual displays for airports that mirror the new requirements applicable to airlines set forth in the amended 14 CFR Part 382. It would also reorganize the provision in 49 CFR Part 27 regarding lifts used to transfer disabled passengers to and from the tarmac.

### **Effects:**

EU NAFTA Foreign

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 01/03/2009

Docket Number:
Dates for NPRM:

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	03/02/2010	09/24/2010	
To OMB		10/26/2010	
OMB Clearance		01/26/2011	
Publication Date	04/02/2010	02/05/2010	
End of Comment Period	06/02/2010	04/05/2011	

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Office of the Secretary

## 75. Enhancing Airline Passenger Protections - Part 2

Red

**Popular Title**: Aviation Consumer Part 2

RIN 2105-AD92 Stage: NPRM

# Previous Stage: None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would enhance airline passenger protections by addressing the following areas:(1) contingency plans for lengthy tarmac delays; (2) reporting of tarmac delay data; (3) customer service plans; (4) notification to passengers of flight status changes; (5) inflation adjustment for denied boarding compensation; (6) alternative transportation for passengers on canceled flights; (7) opt-out provisions (e.g. travel insurance); (8) contract of carriage provisions; (9) baggage fees disclosure; and (10) full fare advertising.

### **Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 07/01/2008

**Docket Number:** 2007-0022

**Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	02/10/2010	03/16/2010	03/16/2010
To OMB	02/26/2010	03/30/2010	03/31/2010
OMB Clearance	05/26/2010	06/30/2010	05/24/2010
Publication Date	06/01/2010	06/02/2010	06/08/2010
End of Comment Period	08/01/2010	08/05/2010	08/09/2010
Extension of Comment Period			08/03/2010
End of Extended Comment Period			09/23/2010

Explanation for any delay: Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: 75 FR 3601

Office of the Secretary

76	Carrier-Supplied Medical Oxygen, Service Animals, and Accessibility of	Green
70.	Carrier Websites, Kiosks, and In-Flight Entertainment Systems	

**Popular Title**: ACAA SNPRM

RIN 2105-AD96 Stage: SNPRM Previous Stage: None

Abstract: This rulemaking would fulfill a commitment made in the final rule amending the Air Carrier Access Act rules to develop an SNPRM seeking information from the public on: (1) the cost and technical issues involved in requiring carrier website accessibility; (2) whether automated kiosks operated by carriers in airports and elsewhere should be required to be accessible; (3) whether there are safety-related reasons for excluding service animals other than dogs that may be specific to foreign carriers; (4) whether the cost of requiring carriers to supply free in-flight medical oxygen would create an undue burden; and (5) whether providing high-contrast captioning on in-flight entertainment displays is technically and economically feasible.

### **Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 09/15/2009

Docket Number:
Dates for SNPRM:

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	08/12/2010		
To OMB	09/01/2010		
OMB Clearance	12/01/2010		
Publication Date	12/10/2010		
End of Comment Period	03/10/2011		

Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for SNPRM: None

## Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

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# 77. Hazardous Materials: Enforcement Regulations

Red

Popular Title: Package Inspection Authority

RIN 2137-AE13
Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 10/02/2008; End of Comment Period 12/01/2008.

**Abstract:** Pursuant to a mandate in SAFETEA-LU (section 7118 of P.L. 109-59), this rulemaking would establish procedural regulations to implement authority provided to DOT to open packages believed to contain hazardous materials; remove such packages from transportation; gather information; order the package transported to a facility for examination and analysis; obtain assistance from qualified persons; and issue emergency restrictions, prohibitions, recalls, or out-of-service orders to abate an imminent hazard.

### **Effects:**

EU NAFTA Foreign

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Temporary Rule : 10/11/2005

Final Rule: 08/10/2006

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 08/10/2005 Docket Number: PHMSA-2005-22356

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	12/22/2009	06/29/2010	06/18/2010
To OMB	01/26/2010	08/04/2010	08/09/2010
OMB Clearance	04/26/2010	11/04/2010	
Publication Date	05/01/2010	11/15/2010	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

## Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

78. **Hazardous Materials; Combination Packages Containing Liquids Intended** Green for Transport by Aircraft

**Popular Title**: Air Packaging

RIN 2137-AE32 Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** ANPRM: Publication 7/07/2008; End of Comment Period 9/5/2008.

NPRM: Publication 5/14/2010; End of Comment Period 7/13/2010.

**Abstract:** Incident data and testing conducted on behalf of DOT indicate many combination packagings authorized for the transportation of hazardous materials may not withstand conditions normally incident to air transportation. PHMSA is considering measures to reduce the incidence of package failures and to minimize the consequences of failures should they occur. This rulemaking would require additional measures to verify packaging integrity, such as performance testing, and revisions to packaging requirements, such as the addition of liners or absorbent material.

### **Effects:**

EU

NAFTA

Foreign

**Prompting action:** Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

Legal Deadline: None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 06/04/2007

**Docket Number: PHMSA-07-29364** 

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	01/21/2011		
To OMB	02/16/2011		
OMB Clearance	05/17/2011		
Publication Date	05/24/2011		

Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

79. **Pipeline Safety: Completing regulation of hazardous liquid pipelines** Green operating at low stress

**Popular Title**: Low stress liquid pipelines

RIN 2137-AE36 Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage: None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend pipeline safety regulations to apply safety regulation to rural low-stress hazardous liquid pipelines that are not covered by safety regulations in 49 CFR Part 195. This change complies with a mandate in the Pipeline Inspection, Protection, Enforcement, and Safety Act of 2006 (PIPES Act). Until 2008, unless a rural low stress pipeline crossed a commercially navigable waterway, a hazardous liquid

pipeline operating at low-stress in a rural area was not regulated under Federal pipeline safety regulations in 49 CFR Part 195. Section four of the Pipeline Inspection, Protection, Enforcement, and Safety Act of 2006 (PIPES Act), requires PHMSA to "issue regulations subjecting low-stress hazardous liquid pipelines to the same standards and regulations as other hazardous liquid pipelines." The Act also provided that the new regulations could be issued in phases. PHMSA decided to implement the PIPES Act mandate in phases, in part because PHMSA did not have complete data on the extent of rural low stress pipelines that would be covered by the statutory mandate. Phase one, published in a final rule on June 3, 2008, applied full Part 195 regulation to the higher-risk, larger-diameter rural low-stress pipelines, i.e., those low-stress pipelines with a diameter of 8 5/8-inches or greater located in or within one-half mile of an unusually sensitive area (USA). These are the rural low stress pipelines that have more potential to cause harm to unusually sensitive areas. In phase two (this rulemaking), we would apply Part 195 safety requirements to all rural low-stress pipelines not included in the phase one rule. Thus, the pipelines addressed by this rulemaking are those rural low-stress pipelines of any diameter located more than one-half mile from a USA and those less than 8 5/8 inches in diameter located within one-half mile of a USA. This rulemaking has been downgraded and will not appear in next month A's report.

### **Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Statute **Legal Deadline:** None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 02/15/2008 Docket Number: PHMSA-2008-0186

**Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	07/19/2010		
To OMB	08/20/2010		
OMB Clearance	11/18/2010		
Publication Date	11/30/2010		
End of Comment Period	01/31/2011		

Explanation for any delay: N/A

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

80. Hazardous Materials: Bulk Loading and Unloading Operations

Red

**Popular Title**: Loading/Unloading

RIN 2137-AE37 Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage: None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would request information from industry that would consider whether additional requirements governing bulk loading and unloading operations are necessary. PHMSA has reviewed transportation incident data and findings of several National Transportation Safety Board and Chemical Satety Board accident investigations involving bulk hazardous materials loading and unloading operations, which suggest there may be opportunities to enhance the safety of such operations. In particular, PHMSA is examining what, if any, safety benefits would accrue from a requirement for persons

conducting bulk loading and unloading operations to develop and implement operating procedures governing these operations. PHMSA has decided to publish a proposed rule instead of a pre-rule.

### **Effects:**

**Information Collection** 

**Prompting action:** Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 10/28/2008 Docket Number: PHMSA-2007-28119

**Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	02/12/2010	08/27/2010	
To OMB	03/18/2010	09/30/2010	
OMB Clearance	06/16/2010	12/29/2010	
Publication Date	06/23/2010	01/05/2011	
End of Comment Period	08/23/2010	03/04/2011	

Explanation for any delay: Additional coordination necessary

Awaiting development of additional data

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

81. **Hazardous Materials: Revisions to Requirements for the Transportation of** Green **Lithium Batteries** 

**Popular Title**: Transportation of Lithium Batteries

RIN 2137-AE44 Stage: Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 1/11/2010; End of Comment Period 3/12/2010.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend the Hazardous Materials Regulations to comprehensively address the safe transportation of lithium cells and batteries. The intent of the rulemaking is to strengthen the current regulatory framework by imposing more effective safeguards, including design testing to address risks related to internal short circuits, and enhanced packaging, hazard communication, and operational measures for various types and sizes of lithium batteries in specific transportation contexts. The rulemaking responds to several recommendations issued by the National Transportation Safety Board.

### **Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act

**Prompting action:** Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

Legal Deadline: None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 03/26/2009 Docket Number: PHMSA-2009-0095

**Dates for Final Rule:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	08/20/2010	08/27/2010	

To OMB	09/23/2010	09/30/2010	
OMB Clearance	12/22/2010	12/31/2010	
Publication Date	01/03/2011	01/10/2011	

Federal Register Citation for Final Rule: None

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

Red

82. Hazardous Materials: Safety Requirements for External Product Piping on Cargo Tanks Transporting Flammable Liquids (Wetlines)

**Popular Title**: Wetlines

RIN 2137-AE53 Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage: None

**Abstract:** The rulemaking would amend the Hazardous Materials Regulations to prohibit flammable liquids from being transported in unprotected product piping on existing and newly manufactured DOT specification cargo tank motor vehicles.

**Effects:** 

None

**Prompting action:** None **Legal Deadline:** None

Rulemaking Project Initiated: 09/01/2009 Docket Number: PHMSA-2009-0303

**Dates for NPRM:** 

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	12/24/2009	05/03/2010	04/15/2010
To OMB	01/28/2010	06/30/2010	07/14/2010
OMB Clearance	04/28/2010	09/30/2010	
Publication Date	05/05/2010	10/10/2010	
End of Comment Period	07/05/2010	12/10/2010	

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary

Federal Register Citation for NPRM: None

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

83. Hazardous Materials: Limiting the Use of Electronic Devices by Highway Green

**Popular Title:** Texting

RIN 2137-AE63 Stage: NPRM

Previous Stage: None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would restrict the use of electronic devices by drivers during the operation of a motor vehicle containing a quantity of hazardous materials requiring placarding under Part 172 of the 49 CFR or any quantity of a material listed as a select agent or toxin in 42 CFR Part 73. Additionally, in accordance with requirements proposed by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) motor carriers are prohibited from requiring or allowing drivers of covered motor vehicles to engage in texting while driving.

This rulemaking would improve health and safety on the Nation's highways by reducing the prevalence of distracted driving-related crashes, fatalities, and injuries involving drivers of commercial motor vehicles.

### **Effects:**

None

Prompting action: Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision

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