

# **Report on DOT Significant Rulemakings**

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## Federal Aviation Administration

Federal Aviation Administration

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| 1. <b>Revisions to Digital Flight Data Recorder Regulations for B-737 Airplanes and for Part 125 Operators</b> | Red |
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**Popular Title:** Digital Flight Data Recorder/B-737

**RIN 2120-AG87**

**Stage:** Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 11/18/1999; End of Comment Period 12/20/1999; SNPRM Publication Date 09/05/06; End of Comment Period 12/04/06

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend the digital flight data recorder (DFDR) regulations for transport category airplanes to add a requirement for all Boeing 737 (B-737) series airplanes to record additional flight data parameters. It is based on safety recommendations issued by the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) following the investigation of the 1994 USAir FLight 427 accident. This rulemaking is significant because of substantial public interest. A final rule had been scheduled for August 11, 2000. Since publication of the NPRM, the FAA has mandated significant changes to the rudder system on 737s. Accordingly, the proposed rule would apply to a different set of airplanes than originally anticipated. The FAA has requested comment on this change in applicability and updated economic information about the installation of the proposed monitoring equipment.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** None

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 02/15/1999

**Docket Number:**

**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	05/29/2000	11/03/3000	10/25/2000
To OMB	06/28/2000	12/04/2000	12/26/2000
Returned by OMB			09/18/2001
Resubmitted to OST		04/30/2004	05/04/2004
Returned to Mode			09/08/2004
Resubmitted to OST/3		12/01/2004	11/08/2004
Resubmitted to OST/4			03/07/2005
Returned to Mode/2			06/13/2005
Resubmitted to OST/5		03/28/2008	
Resubmitted to OMB/2		04/29/2008	
OMB Clearance	07/28/2000	07/28/2008	
Publication Date	08/11/2000	08/14/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None

2. <b>Revisions to Cockpit Voice Recorder and Digital Flight Data Recorder Regulations</b>	Red
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**Popular Title:** Cockpit Voice Recorder

**RIN 2120-AH88**

**Stage:** Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 02/28/2005; End of Comment Period 04/29/2005; Extension of Comment Period 04/27/2005; End of Extended Comment Period 06/28/2005.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend the cockpit voice recorder (CVR) and digital flight data recorder (DFDR) regulations for certain air carriers, operators, and aircraft manufacturers. This rulemaking would increase the duration of CVR and flight data recorder (FDR) recordings; increase the data recording rate of certain DFDR parameters; require physical separation of the DFDR and CVR; improve the reliability of the power supply to both the CVR and DFDR; and, if data-link communication equipment is installed, require that all data-link communications received by an aircraft be recorded. This rulemaking was downgraded on 9/10/07 and will be removed from next month's report.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** None

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/30/1999

**Docket Number:**

**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	09/08/2006	07/06/2007	08/17/2007
Publication Approved	01/12/2007	04/22/2008	
Publication Date	01/19/2007	04/29/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None

3. <b>Aging Aircraft Program (Widespread Fatigue Damage)</b>	Red
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**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 and any necessary service information into their maintenance programs. This rulemaking would also prohibit operation of an affected airplane beyond the operational limit, 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	05/07/2008	
To OMB	06/20/2007	06/10/2008	
OMB Clearance	09/20/2007	09/08/2008	
Publication Date	09/28/2007	09/18/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None

4. <b>Washington, DC, Metropolitan Area Special Flight Rules Area</b>	Black
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**Popular Title:** DC Flight Rules

**RIN 2120-AI17**

**Stage:** Undetermined

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date: 08/04/2005; End of Comment Period 11/02/2005; Publication Date for Extension of Comment Period 11/07/2005; End of Extended Comment Period 02/06/2006.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would codify restrictions for certain aircraft operations in the Washington, DC, Metropolitan Area. This action is necessary because of the ongoing threat of terrorist attacks. The FAA intends by this action to help the Department of Homeland Security and the Department of Defense protect national assets in the National Capital region. We are developing the rule in conjunction with the Department of Defense and Department of Homeland Security.

**Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act

**Prompting action:** None

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/18/2003

**Docket Number:** FAA-2004-17005

**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



5. <b>Transport Airplane Fuel Tank Flammability Reduction</b>	Red
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**Popular Title:** Fuel Tank Flammability/Inerting

**RIN 2120-AI23**

**Stage:** Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 11/23/2006; End of Comment Period 3/23/2006; Extension of Comment Period 3/21/2006; End of Extended Comment Period 5/08/2006. NPRM: Publication Date 11/23/2005; End of Comment Period 03/23/2006; Extension of Comment Period 03/21/2006; End of Extended Comment Period 05/08/2006.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking will require that flammability reduction means be incorporated into existing airplanes, newly manufactured airplanes, and new designs. It establishes new design standards for future and pending applications for type certification as well as new operating rules for retrofitting existing airplanes.

**Effects:**

- Economically Significant
- Major
- Regulatory Flexibility Act
- EU
- NAFTA
- Foreign

**Prompting action:** None

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 02/17/2004

**Docket Number:**

**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	05/14/2007	06/26/2007	07/13/2007
Returned to Mode			08/13/2007
Resubmitted to OST			08/27/2007
Returned to Mode/2			09/10/2007
Resubmitted to OST/2			09/25/2007
To OMB	06/20/2007	02/04/2008	
OMB Clearance	09/20/2007	05/05/2008	
Publication Date	09/28/2007	05/19/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None

6. <b>Part 145: Repair Stations--Ratings and Quality System</b>	Green
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**Popular Title:** Part 145

**RIN 2120-AI53**

**Stage:** Final Rule

**Previous Stage:**None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend the regulations for repair stations by revising the system of ratings and requiring repair stations to establish a quality program. This rulemaking would add changes critical to maintaining safety. These include: requiring a repair station to maintain a capability list; requiring a repair station to designate a chief inspector; requiring permanent housing for all repair stations for their facilities, equipment, materials, and personnel; and identifying reasons for denying a repair station certificate, especially when a previously held certificate has been revoked. In addition, the rulemaking would clarify recent revisions to the repair station regulations. This action is necessary to reflect changes in aviation technology and repair station business practices.

**Effects:**

EU

NAFTA

Foreign

**Prompting action:** None

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 09/18/2001

**Docket Number:** FAA-2006-26408

**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	11/18/2008		
To OMB	01/20/2009		
OMB Clearance	03/20/2009		
Publication Date	03/25/2009		

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

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None

7. <b>Special Awareness Training for the Washington, DC Metropolitan Area</b>	Green
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**Popular Title:** Special Training for DC ADIZ

**RIN 2120-AI63**

**Stage:** Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication date 7/5/2006; End of Comment Period 9/5/2006.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would establish training requirements for any pilot who flies under visual flight rules within 100 nautical miles of Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport's omni-directional range/distance measuring equipment. The training primarily focuses on the procedures for flying in and around Washington, DC's Special Flight Rules Area and Flight Restricted Zone.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** None

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/10/2005

**Docket Number:** FAA-2006-25250

**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	06/19/2008		
To OMB	07/21/2008		
OMB Clearance	10/20/2008		
Publication Date	11/03/2008		

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

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None

8.	<b>Security Related Considerations in the Design and Operation of Transport Category Airplanes</b>	Green
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**Popular Title:** Security Considerations

**RIN 2120-AI66**

**Stage:** Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 01/05/07; End of Comment Period 04/05/07

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would implement certain security related requirements governing the design of transport category airplanes. The requirements would provide improved airplane design features and greater protection of the cabin, flightdeck, and cargo compartments from the detonation of explosive or incendiary devices, penetration by projectiles, and intrusion by unauthorized persons. The FAA would also require operators to establish a "least risk bomb location" on all affected airplanes and to incorporate certain information into relevant manuals. This rule would adopt several International Civil Aviation Organization standards and harmonize FAA and international regulations.

**Effects:**

EU  
NAFTA  
Foreign

**Prompting action:** None

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 06/04/2001

**Docket Number:**

**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	04/24/2008		
To OMB	05/29/2008		
OMB Clearance	09/01/2008		
Publication Date	09/18/2008		

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

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None

9. <b>Congestion Management Rule for LaGuardia Airport</b>	Black
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**Popular Title:** LaGuardia Airport

**RIN 2120-AI70**

**Stage:** Undetermined

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 08/09/06; End of Comment Period 10/30/06; Comment Period Extended 10/24/06; End of Extended Comment Period 12/26/06.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would provide a long-term solution to increased congestion and delay at New York's LaGuardia Airport (Laguardia). The rulemaking, if adopted, would establish an operational limit on the number of aircraft landing and taking off at the airport. To offset the effect of this limit, the rulemaking would increase utilization of the airport by encouraging the use of larger aircraft through implementing an airport-wide, average aircraft size requirement designed to increase the number of passengers that may use the airport within the overall proposed operational limits.

**Effects:**

Economically Significant  
Major  
Information Collection

**Prompting action:** None

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/04/2005

**Docket Number:** FAA-2006-25709

**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

10.	<b>Special Federal Aviation Regulation No. XX -- Mitsubishi MU-2B Series Airplane Special Training, Experience, and Operating Requirements</b>	Red
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**Popular Title:** MU-2B

**RIN 2120-AI82**

**Stage:** Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 09/28/06; End of Comment Period 10/30/06; SNPRM: Publication Date 01/03/07; End of Comment Period 02/03/07

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would create new pilot training, experience, and operating requirements in a Special Federal Aviation Regulation applicable to the Mitsubishi MU-2B series airplane. Following an increased accident and incident rate in the MU-2B airplane, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) conducted a safety evaluation of the MU-2B series airplane and found that changes in the training and operating requirements for that airplane are needed. These regulations would improve pilot training for the MU-2B airplane. This rulemaking was designated to be nonsignificant by OMB on 9/10/07 and will be removed from next month's report.

**Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act  
Information Collection

**Prompting action:** None

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 03/29/2006

**Docket Number:**

**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	05/28/2007	07/30/2007	08/17/2007
Returned to Mode		10/16/2007	10/16/2007
Resubmitted to OST		11/02/2007	11/08/2007
Publication Approved	06/12/2007	01/24/2008	
Publication Date	07/06/2007	03/27/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None

11. <b>Commuter Operations in Very Light Jets (VLJS)</b>	Red
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**Popular Title:** VLJ

**RIN 2120-AI84**

**Stage:** NPRM

**Previous Stage:**None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would change the operation regulations to accommodate the entry into the airspace system of very light jets. These changes are necessary because of the introduction of a new type of airplane as a result of significant changes in the aviation industry. The rulemaking resulted, in part, from recommendations from the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee for Parts 14 CFR 135/125. The rulemaking would cover pilot crew, equipment, training, and dispatch requirements for the safe operation of this new type of airplane.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** None

**Legal Deadline:** None

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

**Docket Number:**

**Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	12/29/2006	07/08/2008	
To OMB	01/31/2007	08/05/2008	
OMB Clearance	02/27/2007	11/05/2008	
Publication Date	03/13/2007	11/12/2008	
End of Comment Period	06/13/2007	02/10/2009	

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

**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** None

12.	<b>Re-registration and Renewal of Aircraft Registration</b>	Red
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**Popular Title:** Re-registration & Renewal of Aircraft Registration

**RIN 2120-AI89**

**Stage:** NPRM

**Previous Stage:**None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend 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 rulemaking would ensure aircraft owners periodically provide information regarding changes in registration. The rulemaking would respond to the concerns of law enforcement and other government agencies and would provide 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:**

**Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	01/24/2007		01/24/2007
Returned to Mode			03/07/2007
Resubmitted to OST		05/11/2007	05/04/2007
Returned to Mode/2			05/23/2007
Resubmitted to OST/2		06/15/2007	06/12/2007
Returned to Mode/3		06/26/2007	06/26/2007
Resubmitted to OST/3		09/19/2007	09/19/2007
To OMB	02/24/2007	12/11/2007	11/28/2007
OMB Clearance	05/24/2007	03/11/2008	
Publication Date	06/08/2007	03/25/2008	
End of Comment Period	08/08/2007	06/30/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** None



13.

**Automatic Dependent Surveillance - Broadcast (ADS-B) Equipage Mandate To Support Air Traffic Control Service**

Red

**Popular Title:** ADS-B**RIN 2120-AI92****Stage:** NPRM**Previous Stage:**None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require Automatic Dependent Surveillance - Broadcast (ADS-B) Out equipment on aircraft to operate in certain classes of airspace within the United States National Airspace System. The rulemaking is necessary to accommodate the expected increase in demand for air transportation, as described in the Next Generation Air Transportation System Integrated Plan. The intended effect of this rule is to provide the Federal Aviation Administration with a comprehensive surveillance system that accommodates the anticipated increase in operations and would provide a platform for additional flight applications and services.

**Effects:**

Economically Significant  
Major  
Regulatory Flexibility Act  
EU  
NAFTA  
Foreign

**Prompting action:** None**Legal Deadline:** None**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 09/26/2006**Docket Number:****Dates for NPRM:**

<b>Milestone</b>	<b>Originally Scheduled Date</b>	<b>New Projected Date</b>	<b>Actual Date</b>
To OST	04/02/2007	06/01/2007	06/01/2007
To OMB	05/02/2007	06/29/2007	07/05/2007
OMB Clearance	08/02/2007	09/28/2007	10/01/2007
Publication Date	08/16/2007	10/05/2007	10/05/2007
End of Comment Period	11/16/2007	01/04/2008	01/03/2008

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary  
Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** 72 FR 56947

14.	<b>Flight Crewmember Duty Limitations and Rest Requirements</b>	Black
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**Popular Title:** Duty Limitations And Rest Requirements

**RIN 2120-AI93**

**Stage:** Undetermined

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 12/20/1995; End of Comment Period 03/19/1996; Comment Period Extended 3/20/1996; End of Extended Comment Period 6/19/1996.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend the regulations on duty period limitations, flight time limitations, and rest requirements for flight crewmembers engaged in air transportation. The changes would respond to the need to ensure that the rules will continue to provide the minimum level of safety. This rulemaking responds to public and congressional interest in regulating flight crewmember rest requirements, NTSB Safety Recommendations, petitions for rulemaking, and scientific data. This action is considered significant because of substantial public interest. The FAA is considering proposing additional changes in response to comments received on the NPRM.

**Effects:**

Economically Significant

Major

Unfunded Mandate

Regulatory Flexibility Act

**Prompting action:** None

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 11/28/1995

**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

15. <b>Qualification, Service, and Use of Crewmembers and Aircraft Dispatchers</b>	Red
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**Popular Title:** Part 121, Subparts N and O

**RIN 2120-AJ00**

**Stage:** NPRM

**Previous Stage:**None

**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:**

**Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	04/27/2007	09/28/2007	10/03/2007
To OMB	05/29/2007	01/03/2008	
OMB Clearance	08/29/2007	04/03/2008	
Publication Date	09/10/2007	04/10/2008	
End of Comment Period	01/10/2008	07/10/2008	

**Explanation for any delay:** Other, higher priorities

**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** None

16.	<b>Part 121 Pilot Age Limit</b>	Black
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**Popular Title:** Age 65

**RIN 2120-AJ01**

**Stage:** Final Rule

**Previous Stage:**None

**Abstract:** This action would amend the Code of Federal Regulations to bring them into conformance with recent legislation raising the upper age limit for pilots serving in domestic, flag, and supplemental operations until they reach their 65th birthday. Congress recently enacted legislation, effective December 13th 2007, mandating an Age-65 limit for pilots for purposes of Title 49 USC. On the basis of this legislation, FAA intends to seek OMB's concurrence in reclassifying this rulemaking as nonsignificant.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** None

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 01/30/2007

**Docket Number:**

**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST			
Chief Counsel (AGC-1)/2			
Resubmitted to OST/5			
To OMB			
OMB Clearance			
Publication Date			
End of Comment Period			

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

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None

## Federal Highway Administration

Federal Highway Administration

17. **Express Lane Demonstration Project** Red

**Popular Title:** Tolling

**RIN 2125-AF07**

**Stage:** Undetermined

**Previous Stage:**None

**Abstract:** Pursuant to SAFETEA-LU, this rulemaking would establish requirements, standards, or performance specifications for automated toll collection systems implemented under the Express Lanes Demonstration Project.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Complete rulemaking : 02/06/2006

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/10/2005

**Docket Number:** FHWA-2006-23597

**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:** Additional coordination necessary

**Federal Register Citation for Undetermined:** None

18.	<b>Projects of National and Regional Significance</b>	Red
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**Popular Title:** PNRS

**RIN 2125-AF08**

**Stage:** Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 7/24/2006; End of Comment Period 9/24/2006.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would, pursuant to SAFETEA-LU, establish the manner in which the Secretary will evaluate and rate the transportation infrastructure projects based on the results of preliminary engineering, project justification, and the degree of non-Federal financial commitment.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Final rule : 02/06/2006

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/10/2005

**Docket Number:** FHWA-2005-23393

**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	10/04/2007	03/01/2008	
To OMB	11/05/2007	04/07/2008	
OMB Clearance	02/04/2008	07/08/2008	
Publication Date	02/18/2008	09/15/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None

19.	<b>Parks, Recreation Areas, Wildlife and Waterfowl Refuges, and Historical Sites</b>	Red
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**Popular Title:** 4(f) Parks

**RIN 2125-AF14**

**Stage:** Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 7/27/2006; End of Comment Period 9/26/2006.

**Abstract:** This FHWA/FTA joint rulemaking would clarify the factors to be considered and the standards to be applied in determining the prudence and feasibility of alternatives under section 4(f) (138 of title 23, U.S. Code, and section 303 of title 49, U.S. Code). Section 4(f) properties include certain parks, recreation areas, wildlife and waterfowl refuges, and historic sites described in section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-670). Section 4(f) generally prohibits the use of such properties for transportation projects unless the Secretary of Transportation finds there is no feasible and prudent alternative and all possible planning to minimize the harm is undertaken.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Final rule by : 08/10/2006

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/10/2005

**Docket Number:** FHWA-2005-22884

**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	05/03/2007	08/31/2007	08/31/2007
To OMB	05/31/2007	11/15/2007	11/08/2007
OMB Clearance	08/29/2007	02/08/2008	
Publication Date	09/10/2007	02/19/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None

20. **Real-Time System Management Information Program** Red

**Popular Title:** Real-Time Management

**RIN 2125-AF19**

**Stage:** NPRM

**Previous Stage:**None

**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:**

None

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** None

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

**Docket Number:**

**Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	01/11/2007	08/17/2007	08/07/2007
Returned to Mode			09/14/2007
Resubmitted to OST		09/21/2007	09/19/2007
Returned to Mode/2			10/10/2007
Resubmitted to OST/2		10/25/2007	11/01/2007
To OMB	02/11/2007	01/16/2008	
OMB Clearance	05/11/2007	04/16/2008	
Publication Date	05/31/2007	02/21/2008	
End of Comment Period	07/31/2007	03/21/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** None



## Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

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21. **Medical Certification Requirements as Part of the Commercial Driver's License** Yellow

**Popular Title:** Medical CDL

**RIN 2126-AA10**

**Stage:** Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** ANPRM: Publication Date 7/15/1994; End of Comment Period 11/14/1994. NPRM: Publication date 11/16/2006; End of Comment Period 2/14/2007.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require those commercial driver's license (CDL) drivers who are required to obtain a Federal medical certification for the current status of that certification be made part of the commercial driver's licensing and renewal process, as required by Section 215 of the Motor Carrier Safety Improvement Act. Incorporating the current medical certification status information into the State-administered Commercial Driver's License Information System (CDLIS) driver record would improve highway safety by requiring those drivers who are required by Federal regulations to obtain a medical certificate to provide proof of that medical certification in order to obtain or retain a CDL. It would enable electronic verification of the current medical certification status as part of existing employer and enforcement programs. It would eliminate the requirement for those CDL operators who are required by Federal regulations to obtain a medical certificate to carry their medical examiner's certificate in addition to their CDL since an electronic record would verify that there is a valid medical certificate. FMCSA is currently reviewing comments to the docket.

**Effects:**

Information Collection

Privacy Impact

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 07/15/1993

**Docket Number:** FMCSA-1997-2210

**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	12/11/2007	02/11/2008	
To OMB	01/14/2008	03/05/2008	
OMB Clearance	04/14/2008	06/05/2008	
Publication Date	04/28/2008	06/19/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None

22.	<b>Unified Registration System</b>	Red
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**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. 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, will be addressed separately.

**Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act  
Information Collection

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Final Rule : 01/01/1998

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

**Docket Number:**

**Dates for SNPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	02/02/2007	03/14/2008	
To OMB	03/08/2007	04/14/2008	
OMB Clearance	06/08/2007	07/15/2008	
Publication Date	06/29/2007	07/30/2008	
End of Comment Period	09/28/2007	11/01/2008	

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

Other, higher priorities

Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

**Federal Register Citation for SNPRM:** None

23.	<b>Application by Certain Mexico-Domiciled Motor Carriers to Operate Beyond U.S. Municipalities and Commercial Zones on the U.S.-Mexico Border</b>	Red
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**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 applicant'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 is waiting for Interim Final Rule experience after the border opens before deciding what to do next on this rulemaking. FMCSA originally planned to publish a final rule by November 20, 2003.

**Effects:**

Information Collection  
NAFTA

**Prompting action:** International Agreement

**Legal Deadline:** None

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

**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:** Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

**Federal Register Citation for Undetermined:** None

24.	<b>Safety Monitoring System and Compliance Initiative for Mexico-Domiciled Motor Carriers Operating in the United States</b>	Red
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**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 is waiting for Interim Final Rule experience after the border opens before deciding what to do next on this rulemaking. FMCSA originally planned to publish a final rule by November 28, 2003.

**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 Approved			
Publication Date			
End of Comment Period			

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

**Federal Register Citation for Undetermined:** None

25.	<b>New Entrant Safety Assurance Process</b>	Red
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**Popular Title:** New Entrant

**RIN 2126-AA59**

**Stage:** Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** Interim Final Rule: Publication Date 05/13/2002; End of Comment Period 7/12/2002; IFR Effective Date 01/01/2003. NPRM: Publication Date 12/21/2006; End of Comment Period 2/20/2007.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would change the New Entrant Safety Assurance Process by raising the standard of compliance for passing the new entrant safety audit. It also would make clarifying changes to some of the existing new entrant regulations. The rule also proposes a separate application procedure and safety oversight system for non-North America-domiciled motor carriers. The proposed rule would improve the Agency's ability to identify at-risk new entrant carriers and would ensure deficiencies in basic safety management controls are corrected before the new entrant is granted permanent registration. These changes would not impose additional operational requirements on any new entrant carrier. All new entrants would continue to receive educational information on how to comply with the safety regulations and be given an opportunity to correct any deficiencies found. FMCSA recognizes many new entrants are small businesses that are unaware of these requirements and continue to need our assistance.

**Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act  
Information Collection

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 12/09/1999

**Docket Number:** FMCSA-2001-11061

**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	11/10/2007	02/10/2008	
To OMB	12/10/2007	03/10/2008	
OMB Clearance	03/17/2008	06/20/2008	
Publication Date	03/31/2008	06/30/2008	

**Explanation for any delay:** Other, higher priorities  
Unanticipated impacts requiring further analysis

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None

26. <b>Certification of Safety Auditors, Safety Investigators, and Safety Inspectors</b>	Red
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**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, audit, or 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 IFR, the agency will issue a SNPRM that addresses issues not clarified in the IFR.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Statute

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

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 12/09/1999

**Docket Number:** FAA-2007-28100

**Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	07/08/2005	08/04/2008	
To OMB	08/08/2005	09/04/2008	
OMB Clearance	11/07/2005	12/08/2008	
Publication Date	11/14/2005	12/22/2008	
End of Comment Period	01/13/2006	03/23/2009	

**Explanation for any delay:** Other, higher priorities  
 Unanticipated impacts requiring further analysis  
 Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** None

27.	<b>Limitations on the Issuance of Commercial Driver Licenses with a Hazardous Materials Endorsement</b>	Green
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**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 driver'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 TSA's extension of compliance date. Since this rulemaking conforms to TSA'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
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

28. **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 Association'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:** Publish Final Rule : 08/10/2006

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 05/12/2003

**Docket Number:**

**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	10/01/2008		
To OMB	11/01/2008		
OMB Clearance	02/01/2009		
Publication Date	03/01/2009		

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

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None



29.

<b>Requirements for Intermodal Equipment Providers and Motor Carriers and Drivers Operating Intermodal Equipment</b>
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Red

**Popular Title:** Intermodal Container Chassis**RIN 2126-AA86****Stage:** Final Rule**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Approved 11/29/2006; Publication Date 12/21/2006; End of Comment Period 03/21/2007; Extension of Comment Period 04/13/2007; End of Extended Comment Period 05/21/2007.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require entities that offer intermodal container chassis for transportation in interstate commerce to: file a Motor Carrier Identification Report (Form MCS-150); display a USDOT identification number on each chassis offered for such transportation; establish a systematic inspection, repair, and maintenance program to ensure the safe operating condition of each chassis offered for transportation and maintain documentation of the program; and provide a means for effectively responding to driver and motor carrier complaints about the condition of intermodal container chassis. The rulemaking is considered significant because of substantial industry and congressional interest and because it involves other departmental modes. It is required by SAFETEA-LU.

**Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act  
Information Collection

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Issue regulations after notice and comment one year after date of enactment of SAFETEA-LU.  
: 08/10/2006

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 01/26/2004**Docket Number:** FMCSA-2005-23315**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	12/10/2007	02/25/2008	
To OMB	01/10/2008	03/25/2008	
OMB Clearance	04/10/2008	06/25/2008	
Publication Date	04/24/2008	07/23/2008	

**Explanation for any delay:** Other, higher priorities**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None

30.	<b>Electronic On-Board Recorders for Hours-of-Service Compliance</b>	Green
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**Popular Title:** Electronic On-Board Recorders

**RIN 2126-AA89**

**Stage:** Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** ANPRM: Publication Date 9/01/2004; End of Comment Period 11/30/2004. NPRM: Publication Date 01/18/2007; End of Comment Period 04/18/2007.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations to incorporate new performance standards for electronic on-board recorders (EOBRs) to document compliance with the Federal hours-of-service rules. This would help ensure that performance standards for EOBRs are appropriate and reflect state-of-the-art communication and information management technologies. The rulemaking would consider the potential benefits and costs of requiring motor carriers to install and use EOBRs and evaluate alternative approaches including: 1) mandating such practice industry-wide, 2) limiting the requirement to motor carriers with certain characteristics, and 3) allowing EOBR use to remain voluntary.

**Effects:**

- Information Collection
- Privacy Impact
- Peer Review

**Prompting action:** Court Action

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/09/2004

**Docket Number:** FMCSA-2004-18940

**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	05/03/2008		
To OMB	06/05/2008		
OMB Clearance	09/05/2008		
Publication Date	09/19/2008		

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

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None

31. 

<b>Qualifications of Drivers; Diabetes Standard</b>	<b>Black</b>
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**Popular Title:** Diabetes Standard**RIN 2126-AA95****Stage:** Undetermined**Previous Stage:** ANPRM: Publication Date 03/17/2006;End of Comment Period 06/15/2006.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking action would amend FMCSA'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 in response to Section 4129 of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible and Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). The diabetes standard is in review with FMCSA's Medical Review Board.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Statute**Legal Deadline:** None**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/10/2005**Docket Number:** FMCSA-2005-23151**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

32. **National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners**

Red

**Popular Title:** National Registry**RIN 2126-AA97****Stage:** NPRM**Previous Stage:** None

**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 SAFETEA-LU.

**Effects:**

Economically Significant

Major

Unfunded Mandate

Regulatory Flexibility Act

Information Collection

Privacy Impact

**Prompting action:** Statute**Legal Deadline:** Sec. 4116 of PL 109-59 (2005) : 08/10/2006**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/10/2005**Docket Number:****Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	07/21/2006	01/21/2008	
To OMB	08/21/2006	02/12/2008	
OMB Clearance	11/20/2006	05/12/2008	
Publication Date	11/28/2006	05/26/2008	

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary  
Other, higher priorities

**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** None

33.	<b>Interstate Van Operations</b>	Red
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**Popular Title:** Interstate Van Operations**RIN 2126-AA98****Stage:** Final Rule**Previous Stage:** None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would make the requirements concerning driver qualifications; driving of CMVs; parts and accessories necessary for safe operations; hours of service; and inspection, repair, and maintenance applicable to the operation of vehicles designed or used to transport between 9 and 15 passengers (including the driver) for direct compensation, in interstate commerce, regardless of the distance traveled. Currently the safety regulations apply to such vans when the vehicle is operated beyond a 75 air-mile radius of the driver's work reporting location. This action is in response to SAFETEA-LU.

**Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act  
Information Collection

**Prompting action:** Statute**Legal Deadline:** None**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/10/2005**Docket Number:****Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	08/08/2007	02/01/2008	
To OMB	09/14/2007	02/29/2008	
OMB Clearance	12/17/2007	05/29/2008	
Publication Date	12/24/2007	06/12/2008	

**Explanation for any delay:** Other, higher priorities  
Additional coordination necessary

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None

34. **Consumer Complaint Information** Red**Popular Title:** Consumer Complaint Information**RIN 2126-AB01****Stage:** NPRM**Previous Stage:**None**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 Impact

**Prompting action:** Statute**Legal Deadline:** None**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/10/2005**Docket Number:****Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	10/16/2006	08/08/2007	08/08/2007
To OMB	11/16/2006	10/04/2007	09/27/2007
OMB Clearance	02/16/2007	01/04/2008	
Publication Date	02/28/2007	01/18/2008	
End of Comment Period	04/30/2007	03/18/2008	

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

Unanticipated impacts requiring further analysis

Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** None

35.	<b>Commercial Driver's License Testing and Commercial Learner's Permit Standards</b>	Red
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**Popular Title:** Commercial Learner's Permit

**RIN 2126-AB02**

**Stage:** NPRM

**Previous Stage:**None

**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 driver's record. The rule would also establish maximum issuance and renewal periods, establish a minimum age limit, address issues related to a driver'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:** Sec 703 of PL 109-347, 120 stat.1884, at 1944) : 04/13/2008

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/10/2005

**Docket Number:** FMCSA-2007-27659

**Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	11/21/2006	08/09/2007	08/21/2007
To OMB	12/21/2006	12/17/2007	12/11/2007
OMB Clearance	03/21/2007	03/17/2008	
Publication Date	03/30/2007	04/01/2008	
End of Comment Period	05/30/2007	06/01/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** None

36. **Railroad Highway Grade Crossing Safety** Red

**Popular Title:** Railroad Highway Grade Crossing Safety

**RIN 2126-AB04**

**Stage:** NPRM

**Previous Stage:**None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would prohibit operators of commercial motor vehicles (CMVs) from driving onto a railroad grade crossing unless there is sufficient space to drive completely through the crossing without stopping. It is intended to reduce the incidence of collisions between trains and CMVs. This rulemaking action is required by the Hazardous Materials Transportation Authorization Act of 1994.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Statutory : 02/16/1995

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/16/1994

**Docket Number:**

**Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	05/01/2007	09/02/2008	
To OMB	06/07/2007	10/02/2008	
OMB Clearance	09/07/2007	01/05/2009	
Publication Date	09/17/2007	01/20/2009	
End of Comment Period	11/17/2007	04/20/2009	

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary  
Other, higher priorities

**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** None



37. <b>Minimum Training Requirements for Entry Level Commercial Motor Vehicle Operations</b>	Red
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**Popular Title:** Entry Level Driver Training

**RIN 2126-AB06**

**Stage:** NPRM

**Previous Stage:**None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require behind-the-wheel 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 behind-the-wheel 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 NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	02/01/2007	05/01/2007	05/08/2007
To OMB	02/28/2007	08/10/2007	08/09/2007
OMB Clearance	05/31/2007	11/09/2007	11/29/2007
Publication Date	06/07/2007	12/26/2007	12/26/2007
End of Comment Period	09/07/2007	03/26/2008	03/26/2008

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary  
Other, higher priorities

**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** 72 FR 73226

38.	<b>Carrier Safety Fitness Determination</b>	Red
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**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 Agency'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 carrier's place of business. Aside from roadside inspections and new audits, the compliance review is the Agency'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. In 1999, the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) recommended that FMCSA base its safety fitness determinations on carrier performance data derived from inspections and not solely the compliance review. NTSB recently classified FMCSA's response to this recommendation as Open-Unacceptable, because it is planning to implement it as part of a more comprehensive program. CSA 2010 will take additional time to put in place, but it ultimately will generate more useful data for making safety fitness determinations.

**Effects:**

None

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

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 06/21/2007

**Docket Number:**

**Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	11/12/2007	01/12/2008	
To OMB	12/15/2007	02/15/2008	
OMB Clearance	03/15/2008	05/15/2008	
Publication Date	03/29/2008	05/29/2008	
End of Comment Period	06/29/2008	08/29/2008	

**Explanation for any delay:** Awaiting development of additional data

**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** None

39.	<b>Hours of Service of Drivers</b>	Green
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**Popular Title:** Hours of Service of Drivers**RIN 2126-AB14****Stage:** Interim Final Rule**Previous Stage:** None

**Abstract:** A rulemaking action will need to be initiated in response to the July 2007 decision by the US Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit that vacated specific provisions of the Agency's Hours of Service rule published on August 25, 2005. The Court invalidated two provisions: the first relates to increasing the daily driving limit from 10 to 11 hours; the second provision permits drivers to restart their count of weekly accumulations of hours after taking 34 consecutive hours off duty. The Court's mandate will issue on December 27, 2007. At that time, parts of the current 2005 rule will no longer be in effect and the Agency must issue or promulgate some form of rulemaking notice to inform the public of what hours of service are in effect.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Court Action**Legal Deadline:** None**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 07/27/2007**Docket Number:****Dates for Interim Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	11/16/2007		11/16/2007
Returned to Mode			11/20/2007
Resubmitted to OST			11/21/2007
To OMB	11/19/2007		11/26/2007
OMB Clearance	11/21/2007	12/14/2007	12/10/2007
Publication Date	11/27/2007	12/21/2007	12/17/2007
End of Comment Period	03/27/2008	03/21/2008	02/15/2008

**Explanation for any delay:** N/A**Federal Register Citation for Interim Final Rule:** 72 FR 71247

## Federal Railroad Administration

Federal Railroad Administration

40. **Amendments to Design Standards for Pressurized Railroad Tank Cars** Red

**Popular Title:** Pressurized Tank Cars

**RIN 2130-AB69**

**Stage:** NPRM

**Previous Stage:**None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend the existing design standards for pressurized tank cars pursuant to section 9005 of SAFETEA-LU. This rulemaking would improve the crashworthiness protection of railroad tank cars designed to transport poisonous by inhalation (PIH) materials by establishing enhanced tank car performance standards for head and shell impacts, as well as operational restrictions for trains transporting PIH materials.

**Effects:**

Economically Significant  
Major  
Information Collection

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** NPRM by : 02/10/2007

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/10/2005

**Docket Number:**

**Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	04/30/2008	11/02/2007	11/05/2007
To OMB	05/28/2008	12/16/2007	12/19/2007
OMB Clearance	08/26/2008	03/17/2008	
Publication Date	08/29/2008	03/31/2008	
End of Comment Period	10/28/2008	05/29/2008	

**Explanation for any delay:** Unanticipated impacts requiring further analysis  
Awaiting development of additional data

**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** None

41.	<b>Passenger Train Emergency Systems</b>	Black
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**Popular Title:** Passenger Train Emergency Systems

**RIN 2130-AB72**

**Stage:** Undetermined

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 08/24/2006;End of Comment Period 10/23/2006.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would promote the safety of passengers and crew members in passenger train emergencies by enhancing FRA\'s regulations for passenger train emergency systems. The rulemaking would address passenger train emergency communication systems (public address and intercom systems), emergency evacuation systems (doors, emergency window exits, rescue access windows, and emergency roof access locations), and marking signage systems.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** None

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/26/2005

**Docket Number:** FRA-2006-25273

**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

42.	<b>Grant Program for Local Rail Line Relocation and Improvement Projects</b>	Red
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**Popular Title:** Rail Relocation and Improvement

**RIN 2130-AB74**

**Stage:** Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 01/17/2007;End of Comment Period 03/05/2007.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would address the establishment of a grant program authorizing the Secretary to provide financial assistance to States for local rail line relocation and improvement projects. This rulemaking would create a new part to title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations; establish regulations governing financial assistance under Part 261, including the project selection criteria; and solicit applications for Capital Grants for Rail Line Relocation Projects. This rulemaking is required by Section 9002 of the Safe Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Act: A legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). Section 9002 authorizes, but does not appropriate, \$350,000,000 per year for each of the fiscal years (FY) 2006 through 2009 for the purpose of funding a grant program to provide financial assistance for local rail line relocation and improvement projects. Congress has not appropriated any funding for the program for FY 2006.

**Effects:**

Economically Significant  
Major

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Temporary Rules : 04/01/2006  
Final Rule : 10/01/2006

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/10/2005

**Docket Number:**

**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	07/03/2007		07/02/2007
Returned to Mode			07/27/2007
Resubmitted to OST		08/29/2007	08/29/2007
Returned to Mode/2			09/11/2007
Resubmitted to OST/2		10/03/2007	10/24/2007
To OMB	08/11/2007	02/18/2008	
OMB Clearance	11/11/2007	05/17/2008	
Publication Date	11/27/2007	05/30/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None

43.	<b>Regulatory Relief for Electronically Controlled Pneumatic Brake System Implementation</b>	Green
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**Popular Title:** ECP Brake Systems

**RIN 2130-AB84**

**Stage:** Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: 09/04/2007; End of Comment Period; 11/05/2007.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would establish criteria for operating trains equipped with Electronically Controlled Pneumatic Brake System technology. This rulemaking would also provide regulatory relief, when necessary, to promote the transition to Electronically Controlled Brake System technology within the rail industry. This rulemaking relates to, but is separate from, the waiver proceeding under Docket No. FRA-2006-26435.

**Effects:**

Economically Significant  
Major

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

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/17/2006

**Docket Number:** FRA-2006-26175

**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	06/03/2008		
To OMB	07/03/2008		
OMB Clearance	10/01/2008		
Publication Date	10/15/2008		

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

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None

44. **Regulatory Relief for Electronically Controlled Pneumatic Brake System Implementation** Green**Popular Title:** ECP Brake Systems**RIN 2130-AB84****Stage:** NPRM**Previous Stage:** NPRM: 09/04/2007; End of Comment Period; 11/05/2007.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would establish criteria for operating trains equipped with Electronically Controlled Pneumatic Brake System technology. This rulemaking would also provide regulatory relief, when necessary, to promote the transition to Electronically Controlled Brake System technology within the rail industry. This rulemaking relates to, but is separate from, the waiver proceeding under Docket No. FRA-2006-26435.

**Effects:**

Economically Significant  
Major

**Prompting action:** Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision**Legal Deadline:** None**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/17/2006**Docket Number:** FRA-2006-26175**Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	01/24/2007	03/12/2007	03/12/2007
Returned to Mode		04/04/2007	04/04/2007
Resubmitted to OST		04/06/2007	04/11/2007
To OMB	02/23/2007	05/16/2007	05/21/2007
OMB Clearance	05/24/2007	08/21/2007	08/21/2007
Publication Date	05/31/2007	09/04/2007	09/04/2007
End of Comment Period	07/31/2007	11/05/2007	11/05/2007

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary  
Awaiting development of additional data

**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** 72 FR 50820



45.	<b>Hours of Service Record Keeping</b>	Green
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**Popular Title:** Hours of Service Record Keeping

**RIN 2130-AB85**

**Stage:** NPRM

**Previous Stage:**None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would revise the hours of service record keeping regulations to allow for the use of electronic record keeping systems. It would also clarify the existing hours of service recordkeeping regulations to ensure that they are applied consistently to both paper and electronic records. It would also ensure that all records, whether created manually or electronically, would allow for proper enforcement of the hours of service law.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** None

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/02/2006

**Docket Number:** FRA-2006-26176

**Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	12/31/2007	01/02/2008	
To OMB	02/08/2008	02/02/2008	
OMB Clearance	05/08/2008	05/02/2008	
Publication Date	05/15/2008	05/09/2008	
End of Comment Period	06/16/2008	07/09/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** None

## Federal Transit Administration

Federal Transit Administration

46. **Major Capital Investment Projects - New/Small Starts** Black

**Popular Title:** New/Small Starts

**RIN 2132-AA81**

**Stage:** Undetermined

**Previous Stage:** ANPRM: Publication Date 01/30/2006; End of Comment Period 03/10/2006. NPRM: Publication Date 08/03/2007; End of Comment Period 11/01/2007.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would establish a simplified evaluation process for projects seeking less than \$75 million in New Starts funds. The rule will set out FTA's evaluation and rating process for proposed projects based on the results of project justification and local financial commitment. This action is mandated by SAFETEA-LU. FTA is making a determination of what their next action will be because Congress prohibited a Final Rule.

**Effects:**

Economically Significant  
Major  
Regulatory Flexibility Act

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Final rule by : 04/07/2006

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/10/2005

**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

47.	<b>Protection of Parks, Wildlife and Waterfowl Refuges, and Historical Sites</b>	Red
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**Popular Title:** 4(f) Parks

**RIN 2132-AA83**

**Stage:** Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 7/27/2006; End of Comment Period 9/25/2006.

**Abstract:** This FTA/FHWA joint rulemaking would clarify the factors to be considered and the standards to be applied in determining the prudence and feasibility of alternatives under section 4(f) (138 of title 23, U.S. Code, and section 303 of title 49, U.S. Code). Section 4(f) properties include certain parks, recreation areas, wildlife and waterfowl refuges, and historic sites described in section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-670). Section 4(f) generally prohibits the use of such properties for transportation projects unless the Secretary of Transportation finds there is no feasible and prudent alternative and all possible planning to minimize the harm is undertaken.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Final Rule by : 08/10/2006

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/10/2005

**Docket Number:**

**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	05/03/2007	08/31/2007	08/31/2007
To OMB	05/31/2007	11/15/2007	11/08/2007
OMB Clearance	08/29/2007	02/08/2008	
Publication Date	09/10/2007	02/19/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None

48.	<b>Contractor Performance Assessment for Capital Investment Program</b>	Green
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**Popular Title:** Contractor Performance**RIN 2132-AA96****Stage:** NPRM**Previous Stage:**None

**Abstract:** On August 10, 2005, the President signed the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act-A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). Section 3011 of SAFETEA-LU made a number of changes to 49 U.S.C. 5309 ("Section 5309"), which authorizes the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA's) capital investment grant program. SAFETEA-LU emphasized the need to improve the accuracy of the estimates of ridership and costs used to support the selection of a major capital investment ("New Start") as a locally preferred alternative (LPA) for Section 5309 funds. Federal transit law supports the use of incentives to encourage the development of more reliable cost and ridership estimates for New Starts funded under Section 5309. A number of provisions in Section 5309 recognize that contractors to grant recipients play an important role in increasing the reliability of forecasting methods to estimate costs and utilization of New Starts projects. This rulemaking would establish a new part 612 in the Code of Federal Regulations. It would encourage accurate cost and ridership estimates through the award of additional New Starts funds to project sponsors, which they can choose to pass along to their contractors. FTA is considering the effect of recently-enacted statutory language concerning the issuance of final rules under 49 U.S.C. 5309 on this rulemaking.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision**Legal Deadline:** None**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 07/17/2007**Docket Number:****Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	03/01/2008	10/04/2007	09/18/2007
To OMB	04/10/2008	11/01/2007	11/06/2007
OMB Clearance	07/10/2008	02/01/2008	
Publication Date	07/20/2008	02/15/2008	
End of Comment Period	09/20/2008	04/15/2008	

**Explanation for any delay:** N/A**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** None

## National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

49. **Rear Convex Cross-View Mirrors**

Red

**Popular Title:** Convex Mirrors

**RIN 2127-AG41**

**Stage:** Withdrawal

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 09/12/2005; End of Comment Period 11/14/2005.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would upgrade the rearward visibility of commercial straight trucks. The agency believes that requiring a rear detection system will reduce fatalities, injuries, and property damage by giving truck operators the ability to detect objects behind the truck. Various possible counter-measures are being examined now in follow-up testing, including visual and non-visual object detection systems. This action will be withdrawn. After further research is completed and evaluated, the agency will determine what further action is warranted.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** None

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 06/28/1996

**Docket Number:** NHTSA-2006-25017

**Dates for Withdrawal:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	06/06/2006	01/21/2008	
Publication Approved	06/09/2006	02/22/2008	
Publication Date	06/14/2006	02/29/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for Withdrawal:** None

50. <b>Roof Crush Resistance</b>	Red
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**Popular Title:** Roof Crush Resistance

**RIN 2127-AG51**

**Stage:** SNPRM

**Previous Stage:** Request for Comments: Publication Date 10/22/01; End of Comment Period 12/06/01. NPRM: Publication Date 8/23/05; End of Comment Period 11/21/05.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would upgrade vehicle roof crush requirements. It is part of the agency's comprehensive response to mitigate the number of fatalities and injuries resulting from vehicle rollovers. Rollover crashes constitute about 3 percent of passenger vehicle crashes, but about one third of the fatalities. Light trucks are more prone to rollover, and their percentage of the U.S. fleet continues to increase. This crash mode constitutes a disproportionate segment of the Nation's highway safety problem. This rulemaking is significant because of public interest in vehicle safety. Previously NHTSA had a final rule scheduled on 8/31/2007.

**Effects:**

Foreign

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** FR by : 07/01/2008

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 07/13/1996

**Docket Number:**

**Dates for SNPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	02/09/2007	04/02/2007	03/26/2007
Returned to Mode			04/17/2007
Resubmitted to OST		09/03/2007	08/31/2007
To OMB	02/09/2007	10/12/2007	10/17/2007
OMB Clearance	02/26/2007	01/15/2008	
Publication Date	02/28/2007	01/30/2008	
End of Comment Period	04/30/2007	03/28/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for SNPRM:** None

51. **Part 571.3 Definitions, Designated Seating Position** Red

**Popular Title:** Definitions, Designated Seating Position

**RIN 2127-AI94**

**Stage:** Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 06/22/2005; End of Comment Period 08/22/2005.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend part 571.3 Definitions, to redefine the term designated seating position (DSP) in order to establish an objective criteria that is more enforceable.

**Effects:**

Foreign

**Prompting action:** None

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 12/16/2002

**Docket Number:** NHTSA-2005-21600

**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	09/08/2006	03/16/2007	03/21/2007
Returned to Mode			04/17/2007
Resubmitted to OST		08/31/2007	08/09/2007
To OMB	10/20/2006	01/10/2008	
OMB Clearance	01/22/2007	03/10/2008	
Publication Date	01/31/2007	03/17/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None

52. **Reduced Stopping Distance Requirements for Truck Tractors** Red

**Popular Title:** Reduced Stopping Distance for Truck Tractors

**RIN 2127-AJ37**

**Stage:** Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date: 12/15/2005; End of Comment Period 4/14/2006.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would reduce stopping distance requirements for truck tractors equipped with air brake systems. Advances in heavy vehicle braking systems show that improved stopping performance is attainable for these vehicles. Such improvements would reduce the stopping distance disparity with light vehicles, and would result in fewer deaths and injuries and reduce property damage due to fewer crashes between truck tractors and light vehicles.

**Effects:**

NAFTA

**Prompting action:** None

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 04/02/2004

**Docket Number:** NHTSA-2005-21462

**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	01/12/2007	01/22/2008	
To OMB	02/23/2007	02/29/2008	
OMB Clearance	05/25/2007	05/28/2008	
Publication Date	05/31/2007	05/30/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None



53.	<b>Subpart T Hybrid III-10C Dummy, 10-Year-Old Child</b>	Yellow
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**Popular Title:** Hybrid Dummy**RIN 2127-AJ49****Stage:** Final Rule**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 07/13/2005; End of Comment Period 09/12/2005.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would incorporate the Hybrid III ten-year old dummy into Part 572 for potential application in Federal motor vehicle safety standards (FMVSS) such as FMVSS No. 213, Child restraint systems. Anton's Law, signed by the President on December 4, 2002, specified in Section 4 that within 24 months, the Secretary of Transportation shall develop and evaluate an anthropomorphic test device that simulates a 10-year old child for use in testing child restraints used in passenger motor vehicles. The evaluation and testing of such a device has been completed by NHTSA. This rulemaking would include rationale for the dummy performance response requirements; detailed dummy design drawings and specifications; and a procedures manual for the dummy inspection, assembly and disassembly.

**Effects:**

Foreign

**Prompting action:** None**Legal Deadline:** None**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 09/16/2004**Docket Number:****Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	12/20/2007	05/30/2008	
To OMB	01/31/2008	07/11/2008	
OMB Clearance	04/30/2008	10/10/2008	
Publication Date	05/15/2008	10/24/2008	

**Explanation for any delay:** N/A**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None

54.	<b>Automotive Fuel Economy Manufacturing Incentives for Alternative Fueled Vehicles</b>	Red
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**Popular Title:** AMFA Extension

**RIN 2127-AK00**

**Stage:** Undetermined

**Previous Stage:**None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would extend the alternative fueled vehicles incentive created by the Alternative Motor Fuels Act of 1988 for Model years 2011 - 2014, at a maximum incentive of 0.9 miles per gallon (mpg) per fleet. This rulemaking would extend the incentive to vehicle manufacturers under 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) section 538.9 for an additional four years. The incentive allows manufacturers to calculate a higher average fuel economy level for dual-fueled vehicles, as defined at 49 USC section 32901(a)(8), permitting up to a 0.9 mpg increase in their overall corporate average fuel economy (CAFE). NHTSA is required by the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to either extend the incentive or explain to Congress why it has not done so by December 31, 2007.

**Effects:**

Foreign

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Per the Energy Policy Act of 2005, NHTSA is obligated to publish a final rule by December 31, 2007 or explain why it has not done so. : 12/31/2007

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 05/07/2007

**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:** Additional coordination necessary  
Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis

**Federal Register Citation for Undetermined:** None

55. **Light Truck Corporate Average Fuel Economy Standards, Model Years 2012 and Beyond** Red

**Popular Title:** CAFE Model Years 2012 and Beyond

**RIN 2127-AK08**

**Stage:** NPRM

**Previous Stage:**None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would address Light Truck Corporate Average Fuel Economy Standards pursuant to the President's Executive Order No. 13432. CAFE standards must be set at least 18 months prior to the start of a model year. However, this action is also subject to a direction by the President of the United States to complete rulemaking in 2008.

**Effects:**

Economically Significant  
Foreign

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** Final Rule publish by : 11/01/2008

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/01/2007

**Docket Number:**

**Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	09/20/2007	01/07/2008	
To OMB	10/15/2007	02/07/2008	
OMB Clearance	11/14/2007	05/07/2008	
Publication Date	11/15/2007	05/14/2008	
End of Comment Period	01/15/2008	07/14/2008	

**Explanation for any delay:** Awaiting development of additional data

**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** None

56. **Tire Identification and Recordkeeping, 49 CFR Part 574**

Green

**Popular Title:** Tire Identification and Recordkeeping**RIN 2127-AK11****Stage:** NPRM**Previous Stage:**None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would allow additional electronic methods (Internet, etc.) to be used for tire registration, in addition to the currently-required paper forms, in order to reduce the paperwork burden as directed under the Paperwork Reduction Act. 49 CFR Part 574 sets tire registration requirements for tire company-owned tire dealers and for independent tire dealers.

**Effects:**

Information Collection  
Foreign

**Prompting action:** None**Legal Deadline:** None**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 09/19/2007**Docket Number:****Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	10/22/2007		10/25/2007
To OMB	11/16/2007		10/31/2007
OMB Clearance	02/26/2008	01/31/2008	
Publication Date	02/16/2008	02/15/2008	

**Explanation for any delay:** N/A**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** None

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57. **Accessibility of Passenger Vessels to Individuals with Disabilities** Red

**Popular Title:** Accessibility-passenger vessels

**RIN 2105-AB87**

**Stage:** NPRM

**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.

**Abstract:** The Department'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. This rulemaking would address these issues and propose feasible requirements to make passenger vessels accessible to, and usable by, individuals with disabilities.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** None

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

**Docket Number:** OST-2007-26829

**Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	04/15/2006	07/30/2006	07/17/2006
To OMB	06/01/2006		09/29/2006
OMB Clearance	09/01/2006	12/29/2006	12/21/2006
Publication Date	09/17/2006	01/19/2007	01/23/2007
End of Comment Period	12/17/2006	04/19/2007	04/23/2007
Extension of Comment Period		04/23/2007	04/13/2007
End of Extended Comment Period		06/22/2007	06/22/2007
Public Hearing/Reopening of Comment Period		02/15/2008	
End of Reopened Comment Period			

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

**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** 72 FR 28333

58.	<b>Use of Oxygen by Air Carrier Passengers</b>	Red
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**Popular Title:** Oxygen by Air Carrier Passengers

**RIN 2105-AC29**

**Stage:** Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 09/07/2005;End of Comment Period 11/07/2005;Extension of Comment Period 10/21/2005 ; End of Extended Comment Period 01/30/2006.

**Abstract:** This significant OST final rule would consolidate three notices of proposed rulemaking (NPRMs) to update and expand coverage under the Air Carrier Access Act (ACAA). The ACAA prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability in air travel. The final rule would amend the ACAA rules to apply to foreign air carriers. It would also add new provisions concerning passengers who use electronic respiratory assistive devices (including portable oxygen concentrators) and passengers who are deaf or hard of hearing. In addition, the rule would reorganize and update the entire ACAA rule. This rulemaking is being incorporated into RIN 2105-AC97.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** None

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 07/01/2004

**Docket Number:** OST-2005-22298

**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	03/26/2007	11/15/2007	11/20/2007
To OMB	05/01/2007	01/30/2008	
OMB Clearance	08/01/2007	04/30/2008	
Publication Date	08/05/2007	05/10/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None

59.	<b>Aviation Data Requirements Review and Modernization Program</b>	Black
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**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

60. **Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability in Air Travel** Red

**Popular Title:** ACAA - Foreign Carriers

**RIN 2105-AC97**

**Stage:** Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 11/04/2004; End of Comment Period 02/02/2005; Extension of Comment Period Publication Date 01/13/2005; End of Extended Comment Period 03/04/2005.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would add coverage under the Air Carrier Access Act to foreign air carriers and comprehensively update and revise 14 CFR Part 382. It would also clarify or propose new provisions in such areas as movable aisle armrests, preboarding announcements, and accessibility of carrier web sites. 2105-AC29 and 2105-AD41 are being incorporated into this rulemaking.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 04/05/2000

**Docket Number:** OST-2004-19482

**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	05/01/2006	11/15/2007	11/20/2007
To OMB	06/15/2006	01/30/2008	
OMB Clearance	09/15/2006	04/30/2008	
Publication Date	10/07/2006	05/10/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None



61.	<b>Procedures for Transportation Workplace Drug and Alcohol Testing Programs</b>	Red
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**Popular Title:** Specimen Validity Testing

**RIN 2105-AD26**

**Stage:** Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** Interim Final Rule: Publication Date 05/28/2003. NPRM: Publication Date 10/31/2005; End of Comment Period 12/31/2005.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend certain provisions of its drug and alcohol testing procedures to change instructions to laboratories, medical review officers, and employers with respect to adulterated, substituted, diluted, and invalid specimen results. This action would create consistency with specimen validity requirements established by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and modify some measures taken in other rulemaking actions. Also, this rulemaking would include rulemaking action specified in RINs 2105-AD47 and 2105-AD55.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** None

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 02/13/2003

**Docket Number:** OST-2003-15245

**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	03/25/2007	12/27/2007	12/12/2007
To OMB	04/25/2007	01/20/2008	
OMB Clearance	07/25/2007	04/20/2008	
Publication Date	07/30/2007	04/30/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None

62.	<b>Accommodations in Air Travel for Deaf, Hard of Hearing and Deaf-Blind Individuals</b>	Red
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**Popular Title:** Deaf, Hard of Hearing

**RIN 2105-AD41**

**Stage:** Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 2/23/2006; End of Comment Period 4/24/2006.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would expand accommodations provided to deaf, hard of hearing, and deaf-blind air travelers under the Air Carrier Access Act. The purpose of this rulemaking would be to improve access for air travelers who are deaf, hard of hearing and deaf-blind during all phases of air travel, from the airport to the flight itself. This rule would apply to certain foreign and domestic air carriers. Also, the rulemaking action would respond to a petition for rulemaking. This rulemaking is being incorporated into RIN 2105-AC29.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** None

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 05/11/2004

**Docket Number:** OST-2006-23999

**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	03/26/2007	11/15/2007	11/20/2007
To OMB	05/01/2007	01/30/2008	
OMB Clearance	08/01/2007	04/30/2008	
Publication Date	08/05/2007	05/10/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None

63.	<b>Protection of Sensitive Security Information</b>	Black
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**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 publish a Final Rule addressing the May 2004 Interim Final Rule and respond to any comments. As of January 31, 2007, this rulemaking is on hold pending the receipt of additional information from DHS. The schedule cannot be further updated until this information is received.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** None**Legal Deadline:** None**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 09/02/2002**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

64. **Oversales and Denied Boarding Compensation**

Green

**Popular Title:** DBC**RIN 2105-AD63****Stage:** NPRM**Previous Stage:** ANPRM: Publication Date 7/10/07; End of Comment Period 9/10/07.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would address whether the Department of Transportation (Department) should amend its rules relating to oversales and denied boarding compensation to cover flights operated with aircraft seating 30 through 60 passengers, which are currently exempt from the rule. It would also address whether the Department should increase the maximum required compensation and make other changes. OST originally scheduled an NPRM for publication on July 5, 2007 but determined that an ANPRM was necessary before developing the NPRM.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** None**Legal Deadline:** None**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 10/19/2006**Docket Number:** OST-2001-9325**Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	10/25/2007		02/08/2007
To OMB	10/31/2007		10/31/2007
OMB Clearance	01/30/2008		11/15/2007
Publication Date	02/14/2008		11/20/2007
End of Comment Period	04/14/2008		01/22/2008

**Explanation for any delay:** N/A**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** 72 FR 65237

65.

<b>Procedures for Transportation Workplace Drug and Alcohol Testing Programs: State Laws Requiring Drug and Alcohol Rule Violation Information</b>	Black
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**Popular Title:** State Reporting

**RIN 2105-AD67**

**Stage:** Undetermined

**Previous Stage:**None

**Abstract:** The rulemaking would propose a revision to 49 CFR Part 40 and FTA and FMCSA drug/alcohol testing rules to permit employers to comply with state laws requiring transmission of information on violations of DOT drug/alcohol rules concerning commercial drivers to state safety and licensing agencies. NPRM was originally scheduled to be issued by March 10, 2008.

**Effects:**

None

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

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/09/2007

**Docket Number:**

**Dates for Undetermined:**

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

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

**Federal Register Citation for Undetermined:** None

66. **Credit Assistance for Surface Transportation Projects** Red**Popular Title:** TIFIA Update**RIN 2105-AD70****Stage:** NPRM**Previous Stage:**None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would amend the TIFIA rule to implement recent statutory changes and incorporate certain other changes that the DOT believes will improve the efficiency of the program and its usefulness to borrowers. This rulemaking would also extend applicability of the rule to the Maritime Administration.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** None**Legal Deadline:** None**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 04/17/2007**Docket Number:** OST-2000-7401**Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	05/18/2007	02/07/2008	
To OMB	06/18/2007	03/14/2008	
OMB Clearance	09/18/2007	06/14/2008	
Publication Date	09/28/2007	06/25/2008	
End of Comment Period	11/28/2007	08/25/2008	

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** None

67. **Enhancing Airline Passenger Protections**

Green

**Popular Title:** Aviation Consumer**RIN 2105-AD72****Stage:** ANPRM**Previous Stage:**None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would seek comment on whether the Department should adopt a rule to enhance airline passenger protections in the following ways: (1) require carriers to adopt contingency plans for lengthy tarmac delays and incorporate them in their contract of carriage, (2) require carriers to respond to consumer problems, (3) require carriers to give consumers accurate and timely information, (4) deem operating a chronically delayed flight to be unfair and deceptive, (5) require carriers to publish delay data, (6) require carriers to publish complaint data, (7) require on-time performance reporting for international flights, and (8) require carriers to audit their compliance with their customer service plan.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision**Legal Deadline:** None**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 09/04/2007**Docket Number:****Dates for ANPRM:**

<b>Milestone</b>	<b>Originally Scheduled Date</b>	<b>New Projected Date</b>	<b>Actual Date</b>
To OST	10/18/2007		10/18/2007
To OMB	10/24/2007		10/26/2007
OMB Clearance	11/07/2007	01/13/2008	11/15/2007
Publication Date	11/20/2007	02/13/2008	11/20/2007
End of Comment Period	01/21/2007	05/13/2008	01/22/2008

**Explanation for any delay:** N/A**Federal Register Citation for ANPRM:** 72 FR 65233

## Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

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Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

68.	<b>Pipeline Safety: Protecting Unusually Sensitive Areas from Rural Onshore Hazardous Liquid Gathering Lines and Low-Stress Lines</b>	Red
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**Popular Title:** Petroleum Gathering Lines and Low Stress Lines

**RIN 2137-AD98**

**Stage:** Final Rule

**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 09/06/2006; End of Comment Period 11/06/2006. SNPRM: Publication Approved 05/15/2007; Publication Date 05/18/2007; End of Comment Period 06/18/2007.

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would establish limited safety rules for rural onshore hazardous liquid gathering pipelines and low stress pipelines that are within a defined buffer of an unusually sensitive area. These areas include drinking water and ecological resource areas, which are particularly vulnerable to a pipeline release. The safety requirements would address the most common threats to the integrity of these pipelines.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 02/04/2004

**Docket Number:** PHMSA-2005-23141

**Dates for Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	09/10/2007	01/10/2008	
To OMB	10/12/2007	02/11/2008	
OMB Clearance	01/10/2008	05/12/2008	
Publication Date	01/18/2008	05/19/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for Final Rule:** None



69.

<b>Hazardous Materials: Enhancing Rail Transportation Safety and Security for Hazardous Materials Shipments</b>
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Red

**Popular Title:** Rail routing rule**RIN 2137-AE02****Stage:** Interim Final Rule**Previous Stage:** NPRM: Publication Date 12/21/2006; End of Comment Period: 02/20/2007

**Abstract:** In consultation with the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), PHMSA would revise the current requirements on the safe and secure transportation of hazardous materials transported in commerce by rail. It may require rail carriers to (1) compile annual data on certain shipments of hazardous materials and use the data to analyze safety and security risks along rail transportation routes where those materials are transported; (2) assess alternative routing options and make routing decisions based on those assessments; and (3) clarify the current security plan requirements to address en route storage and delays in transit. This rulemaking was scheduled to have a final rule published by 12/24/2007. However, to address matters raised by the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 (Pub.L110-53, 121 Stat. 266), PHMSA will first issue the rule as an IFR.

**Effects:**

Regulatory Flexibility Act  
Information Collection

**Prompting action:** Secretarial/Head of Operating Administration Decision**Legal Deadline:** Publish Final Rule : 05/03/2008**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 05/01/2004**Docket Number:** PHMSA-RSPA-2004-18730**Dates for Interim Final Rule:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	07/10/2007	09/25/2007	09/27/2007
To OMB	08/13/2007	12/10/2007	12/11/2007
OMB Clearance	11/12/2007	03/10/2008	
Publication Date	11/19/2007	03/17/2008	

**Explanation for any delay:** Unanticipated issues requiring further analysis**Federal Register Citation for Interim Final Rule:** None

70. **Hazardous Materials: Requirements for Storage of Explosives During Transportation** Red

**Popular Title:** Storage of Explosives

**RIN 2137-AE06**

**Stage:** ANPRM

**Previous Stage:**None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would address the current safety and security risks associated with the storage of explosives during transportation.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** None

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 01/01/2005

**Docket Number:** PHMSA-2005-22987

**Dates for ANPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	05/23/2005		05/24/2005
Returned to Mode			05/24/2005
Resubmitted to OST			05/26/2005
Returned to Mode/2			06/14/2005
Resubmitted to OST/2		06/30/2005	06/22/2005
To OMB	06/24/2005	10/11/2005	10/17/2005
OMB Clearance	09/22/2005	01/17/2006	11/09/2005
Publication Date	09/29/2005	01/24/2006	11/16/2005
End of Comment Period	11/28/2005	02/14/2006	02/14/2006
Reopening of Comment Period		01/31/2008	
End of Reopened Comment Period		04/30/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for ANPRM:** 70 FR 69493

71. **Hazardous Materials: Enforcement Regulations** Red**Popular Title:** Package Inspection Authority**RIN 2137-AE13****Stage:** NPRM**Previous Stage:**None

**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 NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	06/06/2006	01/21/2008	
To OMB	07/11/2006	02/22/2008	
OMB Clearance	10/11/2006	05/23/2008	
Publication Date	10/18/2006	05/30/2008	
End of Comment Period	12/19/2006	07/30/2008	

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** None

72.	<b>Pipeline Safety: Distribution Integrity Management</b>	Red
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**Popular Title:** Distribution Integrity Management

**RIN 2137-AE15**

**Stage:** NPRM

**Previous Stage:**None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would establish integrity management program requirements appropriate for gas distribution pipeline operators. This rulemaking would require gas distribution pipeline operators to develop and implement programs to better assure the integrity of their pipeline systems.

**Effects:**

Economically Significant  
Major  
Information Collection

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 03/02/2006

**Docket Number:**

**Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	01/02/2007	01/02/2008	
To OMB	03/09/2007	02/02/2008	
OMB Clearance	06/11/2007	05/02/2008	
Publication Date	06/20/2007	05/07/2008	
End of Comment Period	09/20/2007	07/07/2008	

**Explanation for any delay:** Additional coordination necessary  
Awaiting outcome of pending legislation

**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** None

73.	<b>Pipeline Safety: Standards for Increasing the Maximum Allowable Operating Pressure for Gas Transmission Pipelines</b>	Yellow
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**Popular Title:** MAOP for Gas Transmission Pipelines

**RIN 2137-AE25**

**Stage:** NPRM

**Previous Stage:**None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would propose to allow operation of certain steel gas transmission pipelines at pressures based on higher stress levels, resulting in an increase of maximum allowable operating pressure (MAOP) over that currently allowed in the regulations. The rulemaking would also require a new pipeline to meet more rigorous design and construction standards as a condition for an operator to calculate the MAOP based on higher stress levels. The rulemaking would also require the operator of a new or existing pipeline operating at the increased MAOP to comply with added operation and maintenance requirements.

**Effects:**

Economically Significant

Major

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

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 05/04/2007

**Docket Number:**

**Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST		11/14/2007	11/14/2007
To OMB	12/17/2007	01/02/2008	
OMB Clearance	03/17/2008	04/02/2008	
Publication Date	03/24/2008	04/09/2008	
End of Comment Period	05/27/2008	06/09/2008	

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

**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** None

74. <b>Control Room Management/Human Factors</b>	Red
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**Popular Title:** Control Room Management/Human Factors

**RIN 2137-AE28**

**Stage:** NPRM

**Previous Stage:**None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would require operators of natural gas pipelines, hazardous liquid pipelines, and liquefied natural gas (LNG) facilities, to identify and employ specific procedures to improve control room operations, controller training, and controller qualifications. It would require operators to develop, implement, and submit to PHMSA (or the appropriate State), a human factors management plan designed to reduce risks associated with human factors. This would require operators to include in their plans a maximum limit on the hours of service for individuals employed as controllers. It would also require operators to periodically review their management of computer-based control system alarms and to verify that the control systems provide accurate and timely information to controllers. This rulemaking would further require each operator to validate the implementation of the program elements applicable to their individual control system.

**Effects:**

None

**Prompting action:** Statute

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 08/10/2007

**Docket Number:**

**Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	11/30/2007	03/03/2008	
To OMB	01/04/2008	03/31/2008	
OMB Clearance	04/04/2008	06/30/2008	
Publication Date	04/11/2008	07/09/2008	
End of Comment Period	06/11/2008	09/11/2008	

**Explanation for any delay:** Awaiting development of additional data

**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** None

## Research and Innovative Technology Administration

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Research and Innovative Technology Administration

75. **Revision of Airline Service Quality Performance Reports and Disclosure Requirements** Green

**Popular Title:** Data on Delayed, Diverted & Cancelled Flights

**RIN 2139-AA12**

**Stage:** NPRM

**Previous Stage:**None

**Abstract:** This rulemaking would provide for the collection of additional aviation data on delayed, diverted and cancelled flights.

**Effects:**

Information Collection

**Prompting action:** None

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Rulemaking Project Initiated:** 09/08/2007

**Docket Number:**

**Dates for NPRM:**

Milestone	Originally Scheduled Date	New Projected Date	Actual Date
To OST	10/18/2007		10/18/2007
To OMB	10/26/2007		10/26/2007
OMB Clearance	11/15/2007	01/26/2008	11/15/2007
Publication Date	11/19/2007	01/26/2008	11/22/2007
End of Comment Period	01/20/2008	03/26/2008	01/22/2008

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

**Federal Register Citation for NPRM:** 72 FR 65230