

motor vehicle crash. Research has found that lap/shoulder belts reduce the risk of fatal injury to front-seat passenger car occupants by 45 percent and the risk of moderate-to-critical injury by 50 percent. For light truck occupants, seat belts reduce the risk of fatal injury by 60 percent and moderate-to-critical injury by 65 percent.

Buckle Up America (BUA) is a Presidential Initiative for increasing seat belt use and child restraint use nationwide. National goals are to increase seat belt use to 90 percent by 2005, and reduce child (0–4 years) occupant fatalities by 25 percent (from the 1995 number) by 2005. The BUA strategic plan, developed with input from both the public and private sectors, contains four key elements for achieving the goals: (1) Building public-private partnerships; (2) enactment of strong legislation by States; (3) active, high visibility law enforcement; and (4) effective public education. Guided by the strategic plan, the BUA Campaign carries out regularly scheduled national mobilizations that combine high visibility enforcement with education.

The national mobilizations are a major component of the BUA Campaign. As such, there is a need to evaluate their effectiveness. The proposed surveys would provide pre- and post-test measures for each mobilization conducted during the three year period beginning May 2002. The two measures would be compared to assess whether the mobilization activities and messages penetrated public awareness, whether the public found the message of increased enforcement activity credible, and whether the mobilization affected attitudes and (self-reported) behavior concerning restraint use. Many of the comparisons would need to be made at the State level because of substantial differences across States in their mobilization activities (e.g., intensity of enforcement efforts, use of media, publicized support, etc.). NHTSA would select specific States from which to draw independent samples based on their planned mobilization activities.

Description of the Likely Respondents (Including Estimated Number, and Proposed Frequency of Response to the Collection of Information)

Under this proposed effort, a telephone interview averaging ten minutes in length would be administered to randomly selected members of the general public age 16 and older in telephone households. There would be a total of 12 survey waves conducted over a period of three years (four per year). An average of 13,700 persons would be interviewed

per survey wave. Each survey wave would be comprised of a national sample, and multiple independent State samples. The national sample would be selected from all 50 States plus the District of Columbia. The independent State samples would be composed of 500 persons per State. There would be an average of 25 independent State samples per survey wave. Together with the national sample, there would be an average of 13,700 interviews per survey wave. Interviews would be conducted with persons at residential phone numbers selected through random digit dialing. Businesses are ineligible for the sample and would not be interviewed. No more than one respondent would be selected per household. Each member of the sample would complete one interview. No respondent would participate in more than one survey wave.

Estimate of the Total Annual Reporting and Record Keeping Burden Resulting From the Collection of Information

NHTSA estimates that each respondent in the sample would require an average of 10 minutes to complete the telephone interview. The number of estimated reporting burden hours a year on the general public (13,700 respondents multiplied by one interview multiplied by 10 minutes multiplied by four survey waves) would be 9,133. The respondents would not incur any reporting cost from the information collection. The respondents also would not incur any record keeping burden or record keeping cost from the information collection.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[U.S. DOT Docket Number NHTSA–2000–6887; Notice 2]

Reports, Forms, and Record Keeping Requirements

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Request for public comment on additional collection of information for an existing collection.

SUMMARY: Before a Federal agency can collect certain information from the public, it must receive approval from

the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Under procedures established by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, before seeking OMB approval, Federal agencies must solicit public comment on proposed collections of information, including extensions and reinstatement of previously approved collections. This document describes one collection of information for which NHTSA intends to seek OMB approval. This collection is an additional collection of information for an existing collection.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before February 19, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Comments must refer to the docket notice numbers cited at the beginning of this notice and be submitted to Docket Management, Room PL–401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Please identify the proposed collection of information for which a comment is provided, by referencing its OMB clearance Number. It is requested, but not required, that 2 copies of the comment be provided. The Docket Section is open on weekdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, contact Mr. Roger Kurrus, Office of Planning and Consumer Programs, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Mr. Kurrus' telephone number is (202) 366–2750. His FAX number is (202) 493–2290. Please identify the relevant collection of information by referring to its OMB Control Number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, before an agency submits a proposed collection of information to OMB for approval, it must first publish a document in the **Federal Register** providing a 60-day comment period and otherwise consult with members of the public and affected agencies concerning each proposed collection of information. The OMB has promulgated regulations describing what must be included in such a document. Under OMB's regulation (at 5CFR 1320.8(d)), an agency must ask for public comment on the following:

(i) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(ii) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(iii) how to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;

(iv) how to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g. permitting electronic submission of responses.

In compliance with these requirements, NHTSA asks for public comments on the following proposed collections of information:

Title: Tires and Rim Labeling and Vehicle Placard Requirements.

OMB Control Number: 2127-0503.

Affected Public: Tire and Rim Manufacturers, Vehicle Manufacturers.

Abstract: Each tire manufacturer and rim manufacturer must label their tire and rim with the applicable safety information. These labeling requirements ensure that tires are mounted on the appropriate rims, that necessary tire recall information is readily available, and that the rims and tires are mounted on the vehicles for which they are intended. Each vehicle manufacturer must provide labels and placards to ensure that proper load limit and tire inflation pressure information is available. This labeling must be in accordance with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards and regulations.

Estimated Annual Burden: 265,702.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 7,608.

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Stephen R. Kratzke,

Associate Administrator for Safety Performance Standards.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket No. NHTSA-2001-9477; Notice 2]

Reports, Forms, and Recordkeeping Requirements

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Request for public comment on additional collection of information for an existing collection.

SUMMARY: Before a Federal agency can collect certain information from the public, it must receive approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Under procedures established by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, before seeking OMB approval, Federal agencies must solicit public comment on proposed collections of

information, including extensions and reinstatement of previously approved collections.

This document describes one collection of information for which NHTSA intends to seek OMB approval.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before February 19, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Comments must refer to the docket notice numbers cited at the beginning of this notice and be submitted to Docket Management, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Please identify the proposed collection of information for which a comment is provided, by referencing its OMB clearance Number. It is requested, but not required, that 2 copies of the comment be provided. The Docket Section is open on weekdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, contact Roger Saul, NHTSA, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Room 5320, NPS-11, Washington, DC 20590. Mr. Saul's telephone number is (202) 366-1740. Please identify the relevant collection of information by referring to its OMB Control Number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, before an agency submits a proposed collection of information to OMB for approval, it must first publish a document in the **Federal Register** providing a 60-day comment period and otherwise consult with members of the public and affected agencies concerning each proposed collection of information. The OMB has promulgated regulations describing what must be included in such a document. Under OMB's regulation (at 5CFR 1320.8(d)), an agency must ask for public comment on the following:

(i) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(ii) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(iii) how to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;

(iv) how to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g. permitting electronic submission of responses.

In compliance with these requirements, NHTSA asks for public

comments on the following proposed collections of information:

Title: Consolidated Vehicle Owner's Manual Requirements for Motor Vehicles and Motor Vehicle Equipment.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

OMB Control Number: 2127-0541.

Affected Public: Individuals, Households, Business, other for-profit, Not-for-profit, Farms, Federal Government and State, Local or Tribal Government.

Abstract: 49 U.S.C. 30117 authorizes the Secretary to require that manufacturers provide technical information, as for example information directed for publication in a vehicle owner's manual, related to the performance and safety specified in the Federal motor vehicle safety standards for the purposes of educating the consumer and providing safeguards against improper use. Using this authority, the agency issued the following FMVSS and regulations, specifying that certain safety precautions regarding items of motor vehicle equipment appear in the vehicle owner's manual to aid the agency in achieving many of its safety goals.

FMVSS No. 108—Lamps, Reflective Devices, and Associated Equipment

This standard requires that certain lamps and reflective devices with certain performance levels be installed on motor vehicles to assure that the roadway is properly illuminated, that vehicles can be readily seen, and the signals can be transmitted to other drivers sharing the road, during day, night and inclement weather. Since the specific manner in which headlamp aim is to be performed is not regulated (only the performance of the device is), aiming devices manufactured or installed by different vehicle and headlamp manufacturers may work in significantly different ways. As a consequence, to assure that headlamps can be correctly aimed, instructions for proper use must be part of the vehicle as a label, or optionally, in the vehicle owner's manual.

FMVSS 110—Tire Selection and Rims

This standard specifies requirements for tire selection to prevent tire overloading. The vehicle's normal load and maximum load on the tire shall not be greater than applicable specified limits. The standard requires a permanently affixed vehicle placard specifying vehicle capacity weight, designated seating capacity, manufacturer recommended cold tire inflation pressure, and manufacturer's recommended tire size. The standard