DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Information Collection Tools

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 940, Employer’s Annual Federal Unemployment (FUTA) Tax Return, and Form 940–PR, Planilla Para La Declaracion Anual Del Patrono—La Contribucion Federal Para El Desempleo (FUTA); Form 990–PF, Return of Private Foundation or Section 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt charitable Trust Treated as a Private Foundation, and Form 4720, return of Certain Excise Taxes on Charities and Other Persons Under Chapters 41 and 42 of the Internal revenue Code; Form 5227, Split-Interest Trust Information Return; Revenue Procedure 97–33, Electronic Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS); and TD 9338, Information Returns Required with Respect to Certain Foreign Corporations and Certain Foreign-Owned Domestic Corporations.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before December 10, 2012 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Yvette Lawrence, Internal Revenue Service, room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224. Please send separate comments for each specific information collection listed below. You must reference the information collection’s title, form number, reporting or record-keeping requirement number, and OMB number (if any) in your comment.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the collection tools should be directed to R. Joseph Durbala, Internal Revenue Service, room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224, or at (202) 622–3634, or through the Internet at RJoseph.Durbala@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Currently, the IRS is seeking comments concerning the following information collection tools, reporting, and record-keeping requirements:

(1) Title: Employer’s Annual Federal Unemployment (FUTA) Tax Return (Form 940) and Planilla Para La Declaracion Anual Del Patrono—La Contribucion Federal Para El Desempleo (FUTA) (Form 940–PR).

OMB Number: 1545–0028. Form Number: 940 and 940–PR.

Abstract: Internal Revenue Code section 3301 imposes a tax on taxable wages paid to each employee. The tax is computed and reported on Forms 940 and 940–PR (Puerto Rico employers only). IRS uses the information on Forms 940 and 940–PR to ensure that employers have reported and figured the correct FUTA wages and tax.

Current Actions: There are no changes to the previously approved burden of this existing collection.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit organizations, individuals, or households, and farms.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 237,600.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 8 hrs., 5 min.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 237,600.

(2) Title: Form 990–PF, Return of Private Foundation or Section 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt charitable Trust Treated as a Private Foundation, and Form 4720, return of Certain Excise Taxes on Charities and Other Persons Under Chapters 41 and 42 of the Internal revenue Code.

OMB Number: 1545–0052. Form Number: 990–PF and 4720.

Abstract: Internal Revenue Code section 6033 requires all private foundations, including section 4947(a)(1) trusts treated as private foundations, to file an annual information return. Section 53.4940–1(a) of the Income Tax Regulations requires that the tax on net investment income be reported on the return filed under section 6033. Form 990–PF is used for this purpose. Section 6011 requires a report of taxes under Chapter 42 of the Code for prohibited acts by private foundations and certain related parties. Form 4720 is used by foundations and/or related persons to report prohibited activities in detail and pay the tax on them.

Current Actions: There are no changes being made to the revenue procedure at this time.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 55,000.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 200 hrs., 58 min.

Estimated Total Annual Reporting Burden hours: 11,052,594.

(3) Title: Split-Interest Trust Information Return.

OMB Number: 1545–0196. Form Number: 5227.

Abstract: Form 5227 is used to report the financial activities of a split-interest trust.

Supplementary Information: Form 5227 is used to report the financial activities of a split-interest trust.

Affected Public: Individuals, households, and for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 8,400.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 2 hrs., 5 min.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 16,000.

(4) Title: Payment System (EFTPS).

OMB Number: 1545–0196. Form Number: 5227.

Abstract: Form 5227 is used to report the financial activities of a split-interest trust.

Affected Public: Individuals, households, and for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 8,400.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 2 hrs., 5 min.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 16,000.

(5) Title: Revenue Procedure 97–33, Electronic Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS).

OMB Number: 1545–0196. Form Number: 5227.

Abstract: Form 5227 is used to report the financial activities of a split-interest trust.

Affected Public: Individuals, households, and for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 8,400.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 2 hrs., 5 min.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 16,000.

(6) Title: TD 9338, Information Returns Required with Respect to Certain Foreign Corporations and Certain Foreign-Owned Domestic Corporations.

OMB Number: 1545–0196. Form Number: 5227.

Abstract: Form 5227 is used to report the financial activities of a split-interest trust.

Affected Public: Individuals, households, and for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 8,400.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 2 hrs., 5 min.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 16,000.
trust described in Internal Revenue Code section 4947(a)(2), and to determine whether the trust is treated as a private foundation and is subject to the excise taxes under Chapter 42 of the Code.

Current Actions: There is no change in the paperwork burden previously approved by OMB.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 88,640.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 84 hrs., 24 min.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 7,480,960.

(4) Title: Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS).

OMB Number: 1545–1546.

Form Number: Revenue Procedure 97–33.

Abstract: The Electronic Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS) is an electronic remittance processing system for making federal tax deposits (FTDs) and federal tax payments (FTPs). Revenue Procedure 97–33 provides taxpayers with information and procedures that will help them to electronically make FTDs and tax payments through EFTPS.

Current Actions: There is no change in the paperwork burden previously approved by OMB.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, business or other for-profit organizations, not-for-profit institutions, farms, and Federal, state, local or tribal governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 557,243.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 30 min.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 278,622.

(5) Title: Information Returns Required with Respect to Certain Foreign Corporations and Certain Foreign-Owned Domestic Corporations.

OMB Number: 1545–2020.

Form Number: TD 9338.

Abstract: This regulation will provide guidance regarding accounting methods and penalties under section 6038.

Current Actions: There is no change in the paperwork burden previously approved by OMB.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, Businesses and other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 5,000.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 25 min.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,250.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

Request for Comments: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on:

(a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility;
(b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

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