

**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**

**Office of the Secretary**

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**Unified Agenda of Federal Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, DHS.

**ACTION:** Semiannual regulatory agenda.

**SUMMARY:** This regulatory agenda is a semiannual summary of all current and projected rulemakings, existing regulations, and completed actions of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and its components. This agenda provides the public with information about DHS’s regulatory activity. DHS expects that this information will enable the public to be more aware of, and effectively participate in, the Department’s regulatory activity. DHS invites the public to submit comments on any aspect of this agenda.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** DHS provides this notice pursuant to the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (Pub. L. 96–354, Sep. 19, 1980) and Executive Order 12866 “Regulatory Planning and Review” (Sep. 30, 1993) as incorporated in Executive Order 13563 “Improving Regulation & Regulatory Review” (Jan. 18, 2011), which require the Department to publish a semiannual agenda of regulations. The regulatory agenda is a summary of all current and projected rulemakings, as well as actions completed since the publication of the last regulatory agenda for the Department. DHS’s last semiannual regulatory agenda was published on June 13, 2014, at 79 FR 34068.

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY—FINAL RULE STAGE

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References in boldface appear in The Regulatory Plan in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.

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## U.S. COAST GUARD—FINAL RULE STAGE

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| 339 .....    | Commercial Fishing Vessels—Implementation of 2010 and 2012 Legislation .....                                                  | 1625-AB85                 |

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|--------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 342 .....    | Implementation of the Guam-CNMI Visa Waiver Program ( <b>Section 610 Review</b> ) ( <b>Reg Plan Seq No. 84</b> ) | 1651-AA77                 |

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## U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION—LONG-TERM ACTIONS

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| 343 .....    | Importer Security Filing and Additional Carrier Requirements ( <b>Section 610 Review</b> ) ..... | 1651-AA70                 |

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| 344 .....    | Security Training for Surface Mode Employees ( <b>Reg Plan Seq No. 86</b> ) .....             | 1652-AA55                 |
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|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 346 .....    | General Aviation Security and Other Aircraft Operator Security ..... | 1652-AA53                 |

**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY (DHS)**

Office of the Secretary (OS)

Final Rule Stage

**330. Ammonium Nitrate Security Program**

*Regulatory Plan:* This entry is Seq. No. 68 in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.

RIN: 1601-AA52

**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY (DHS)**

Office of the Secretary (OS)

Long-Term Actions

**331. Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS)**

*Legal Authority:* sec 550 of the Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act of 2007 Pub. L. 109-295, as amended.

*Abstract:* Earlier this year the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) invited public comment on an advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPRM) for potential revisions to the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) regulations. DHS believes this ANPRM provides expanded opportunities for DHS to hear and consider the views of interested members of the public on their recommendations for possible program changes.

*Timetable:*

| Action                    | Date             | FR Cite     |
|---------------------------|------------------|-------------|
| ANPRM .....               | 08/18/14         | 79 FR 48693 |
| ANPRM Comment Period End. | 10/17/14         |             |
| NPRM .....                | To Be Determined |             |

*Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes.*

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RIN: 1601-AA69

**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY (DHS)**

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS)

Proposed Rule Stage

**332. Administrative Appeals Office: Procedural Reforms to Improve Efficiency**

*Regulatory Plan:* This entry is Seq. No. 72 in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.

RIN: 1615-AB98

**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY (DHS)**

U.S. Coast Guard (USCG)

**333. Numbering of Undocumented Barges**

*Legal Authority:* 46 U.S.C. 12301.

*Abstract:* Title 46 U.S.C. 12301, as amended by the Abandoned Barge Act of 1992, requires that all undocumented barges of more than 100 gross tons operating on the navigable waters of the United States be numbered. This rulemaking would establish a numbering system and user fees for an original or renewed Certificate of Number for these barges. The numbering of undocumented barges allows the Coast Guard to identify the owners of abandoned barges. This rulemaking supports the Coast Guard's broad role and responsibility of protecting natural resources.

*Timetable:*

| Action                             | Date     | FR Cite     |
|------------------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Request for Comments.              | 10/18/94 | 59 FR 52646 |
| Comment Period End.                | 01/17/95 |             |
| ANPRM .....                        | 07/06/98 | 63 FR 36384 |
| ANPRM Comment Period End.          | 11/03/98 |             |
| NPRM .....                         | 01/11/01 | 66 FR 2385  |
| NPRM Comment Period End.           | 04/11/01 |             |
| NPRM Reopening of Comment Period.  | 08/12/04 | 69 FR 49844 |
| NPRM Reopening Comment Period End. | 11/10/04 |             |
| Supplemental NPRM.                 | 04/00/15 |             |

*Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes.*

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RIN: 1625-AA14

**334. Updates to Maritime Security**

*Legal Authority:* 33 U.S.C. 1226; 33 U.S.C. 1231; 46 U.S.C. 701; 50 U.S.C. 191 and 192; EO 12656; 3 CFR 1988 Comp p 585; 33 CFR 1.05-1; 33 CFR 6.04-11; 33 CFR 6.14; 33 CFR 6.16; 33 CFR 6.19; DHS Delegation No 0170.1.

*Abstract:* The Coast Guard proposes certain additions, changes, and amendments to 33 CFR, subchapter H. Subchapter H is comprised of parts 101 through 106. Subchapter H implements the major provisions of the Maritime Transportation Security Act of 2002 (MTSA). This rulemaking is the first major revision to subchapter H. The proposed changes would further the goals of domestic compliance and international cooperation by incorporating requirements from legislation implemented since the original publication of these regulations, such as the Security and Accountability for Every (SAFE) Port Act of 2006, and including international standards such as Standards of Training, Certification & Watchkeeping security training. This rulemaking has international interest because of the close relationship between subchapter H and the International Ship and Port Security Code (ISPS).

*Timetable:*

| Action     | Date     | FR Cite |
|------------|----------|---------|
| NPRM ..... | 01/00/15 |         |

*Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes.*

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RIN: 1625-AB38

**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY (DHS)**

U.S. Coast Guard (USCG)

Final Rule Stage

**335. Vessel Requirements for Notices of Arrival and Departure, and Automatic Identification System**

*Regulatory Plan:* This entry is Seq. No. 78 in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.

RIN: 1625-AA99

**336. Inspection of Towing Vessels**

*Regulatory Plan:* This entry is Seq. No. 79 in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.  
*RIN:* 1625-AB06

**337. Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC); Card Reader Requirements**

*Regulatory Plan:* This entry is Seq. No. 80 in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.  
*RIN:* 1625-AB21

**338. Marpol Annex 1 Update**

*Legal Authority:* 33 U.S.C. 1902; 46 U.S.C. 3306

*Abstract:* In this rulemaking, the Coast Guard would amend the regulations in subchapter O (Pollution) of title 33 of the CFR, including regulations on vessels carrying oil, oil pollution prevention, oil transfer operations, and rules for marine environmental protection regarding oil tank vessels, to reflect changes to international oil pollution standards adopted since 2004. Additionally, this regulation would update shipping regulations in title 46 to require Material Safety Data Sheets, in accordance with international agreements, to protect the safety of mariners at sea.

*Timetable:*

| Action                   | Date     | FR Cite     |
|--------------------------|----------|-------------|
| NPRM .....               | 04/09/12 | 77 FR 21360 |
| NPRM Comment Period End. | 07/26/12 |             |
| Comment Period Extended. | 09/07/12 | 77 FR 43741 |
| Final Rule .....         | 12/00/14 |             |

*Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:* Yes.

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*RIN:* 1625-AB57

**339. Commercial Fishing Vessels—Implementation of 2010 and 2012 Legislation**

*Legal Authority:* Pub. L. 111-281; title VI (Marine Safety)

*Abstract:* The Coast Guard is implementing those requirements of 2010 and 2012 legislation that pertain to uninspected commercial fishing industry vessels and that took effect upon enactment of the legislation but that, to be implemented, require

amendments to Coast Guard regulations affecting those vessels. The applicability of the regulations is being changed, and new requirements are being added to safety training, equipment, vessel examinations, vessel safety standards, the documentation of maintenance, and the termination of unsafe operations. This rulemaking promotes the Coast Guard maritime safety mission.

*Timetable:*

| Action             | Date     | FR Cite |
|--------------------|----------|---------|
| Interim Final Rule | 05/00/15 |         |

*Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:* Yes.

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*RIN:* 1625-AB85

**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY (DHS)**

*U.S. Coast Guard (USCG)*

Long-Term Actions

**340. Outer Continental Shelf Activities**

*Legal Authority:* 43 U.S.C. 1333(d)(1); 43 U.S.C. 1348(c); 43 U.S.C. 1356; DHS Delegation No 0170.1

*Abstract:* The Coast Guard is the lead Federal agency for workplace safety and health on facilities and vessels engaged in the exploration for, or development, or production of, minerals on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS), other than for matters generally related to drilling and production that are regulated by the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE). This project would revise the regulations on OCS activities by: (1) Adding new requirements, for OCS units for lifesaving, fire protection, training, and helidecks; (2) providing for USCG acceptance and approval of specified classification society plan reviews, inspections, audits, and surveys; and (3) requiring foreign vessels engaged in OCS activities to comply with rules similar to those imposed on U.S. vessels similarly engaged. This project would affect the owners and operators of facilities and vessels engaged in offshore activities.

*Timetable:*

| Action                | Date     | FR Cite     |
|-----------------------|----------|-------------|
| Request for Comments. | 06/27/95 | 60 FR 33185 |

| Action                        | Date             | FR Cite     |
|-------------------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Comment Period End.           | 09/25/95         |             |
| NPRM .....                    | 12/07/99         | 64 FR 68416 |
| NPRM Correction               | 02/22/00         | 65 FR 8671  |
| NPRM Comment Period Extended. | 03/16/00         | 65 FR 14226 |
| NPRM Comment Period Extended. | 06/30/00         | 65 FR 40559 |
| NPRM Comment Period End.      | 11/30/00         |             |
| Supplemental NPRM.            | To Be Determined |             |

*Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:* Yes.

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*RIN:* 1625-AA18

**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY (DHS)**

*U.S. Coast Guard (USCG)*

Completed Actions

**341. Lifesaving Devices: Uninspected Vessels, Commercial Barges, and Sailing Vessels (Completion of a Section 610 Review)**

*Legal Authority:* 46 U.S.C. 2103; 46 U.S.C. 4102; Department of Homeland Security Delegation No 0170.1(92)(a), (92)(b)

*Abstract:* The Coast Guard is aligning its regulations with the 2010 Coast Guard Authorization Act. Before 2010, uninspected commercial barges and uninspected commercial sailing vessels fell outside the scope of a statute requiring the regulation of lifesaving devices on uninspected vessels. Lifesaving devices were required on these vessels only if they carried passengers for hire. The 2010 Act brought these vessels within the scope of the statutory requirement to carry lifesaving devices even if they carry no passengers. The Coast Guard is requiring the use of wearable personal flotation devices for individuals on board uninspected commercial barges and sailing vessels, and amending several regulatory tables to reflect that requirement. This rulemaking promotes the Coast Guard's maritime safety mission.

*Timetable:*

| Action                   | Date     | FR Cite     |
|--------------------------|----------|-------------|
| NPRM .....               | 07/17/13 | 78 FR 42739 |
| NPRM Comment Period End. | 10/15/13 |             |
| Final Rule .....         | 09/10/14 | 79 FR 53621 |
| Final Rule Effective.    | 10/10/14 |             |

*Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:* No.

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*RIN:* 1625-AB83

**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY (DHS)**

*U.S. Customs and Border Protection (USCBP)*

Final Rule Stage

**342. Implementation of the Guam-CNMI Visa Waiver Program (Section 610 Review)**

*Regulatory Plan:* This entry is Seq. No. 84 in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.  
*RIN:* 1651-AA77

**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY (DHS)**

*U.S. Customs and Border Protection (USCBP)*

Long-Term Actions

**343. Importer Security Filing And Additional Carrier Requirements (Section 610 Review)**

*Legal Authority:* Pub. L. 109-347, sec 203; 5 U.S.C. 301; 19 U.S.C. 66; 19 U.S.C. 1431; 19 U.S.C. 1433 to 1434; 19 U.S.C. 1624; 19 U.S.C. 2071 (note); 46 U.S.C. 60105

*Abstract:* This final rule implements the provisions of section 203 of the Security and Accountability for Every Port Act of 2006. On November 25, 2008, CBP published an interim final rule (CBP Dec. 08-46) in the **Federal Register** (73 FR 71730), that finalized most of the provisions proposed in the NPRM. The interim final rule did not finalize six data elements that were identified as areas of potential concern for industry during the rulemaking process and, for which, CBP provided some type of flexibility for compliance with those data elements. CBP solicited

public comment on these six data elements, is conducting a structured review, and also invited comments on the revised Regulatory Assessment and Final Regulatory Flexibility Analysis. [See 73 FR 71782-85 for regulatory text and 73 CFR 71733-34 for general discussion.] The remaining requirements of the rule were adopted as final. CBP plans to issue a final rule after CBP completes a structured review of the flexibilities and analyzes the comments.

*Timetable:*

| Action                                 | Date     | FR Cite     |
|----------------------------------------|----------|-------------|
| NPRM .....                             | 01/02/08 | 73 FR 90    |
| NPRM Comment Period End.               | 03/03/08 |             |
| NPRM Comment Period Extended.          | 02/01/08 | 73 FR 6061  |
| NPRM Comment Period End.               | 03/18/08 |             |
| Interim Final Rule Effective.          | 11/25/08 | 73 FR 71730 |
| Interim Final Rule Comment Period End. | 01/26/09 |             |
| Correction .....                       | 06/01/09 |             |
| Correction .....                       | 07/14/09 | 74 FR 33920 |
| Final Action .....                     | 12/24/09 | 74 FR 68376 |
|                                        | 02/00/16 |             |

*Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:* Yes.

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*RIN:* 1651-AA70

**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY (DHS)**

*Transportation Security Administration (TSA)*

Proposed Rule Stage

**344. Security Training for Surface Mode Employees**

*Regulatory Plan:* This entry is Seq. No. 86 in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.  
*RIN:* 1652-AA55

**345. Standardized Vetting, Adjudication, and Redress Services**

*Regulatory Plan:* This entry is Seq. No. 87 in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.  
*RIN:* 1652-AA61

**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY (DHS)**

*Transportation Security Administration (TSA)*

Long-Term Actions

**346. General Aviation Security and Other Aircraft Operator Security**

*Legal Authority:* 6 U.S.C. 469; 18 U.S.C. 842; 18 U.S.C. 845; 46 U.S.C. 70102 to 70106; 46 U.S.C. 70117; 49 U.S.C. 114; 49 U.S.C. 114(f)(3); 49 U.S.C. 5103; 49 U.S.C. 5103a; 49 U.S.C. 40113; 49 U.S.C. 44901 to 44907; 49 U.S.C. 44913 to 44914; 49 U.S.C. 44916 to 44918; 49 U.S.C. 44932; 49 U.S.C. 44935 to 44936; 49 U.S.C. 44942; 49 U.S.C. 46105

*Abstract:* On October 30, 2008, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) issued a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM), proposing to amend current aviation transportation security regulations to enhance the security of general aviation by expanding the scope of current requirements, and by adding new requirements for certain large aircraft operators and airports serving those aircraft. TSA also proposed that all aircraft operations, including corporate and private charter operations, with aircraft having a maximum certificated takeoff weight (MTOW) above 12,500 pounds (large aircraft) be required to adopt a large aircraft security program. TSA also proposed to require certain airports that serve large aircraft to adopt security programs. After considering comments received on the NPRM and sponsoring public meetings with stakeholders, TSA decided to revise the original proposal to tailor security requirements to the general aviation industry. TSA is preparing a supplemental NPRM (SNPRM), which will include a comment period for public comments. TSA is considering the following proposed provisions in the SNPRM: (1) security measures for foreign aircraft operators commensurate with measures for U.S. operators, (2) the type of aircraft subject to TSA regulation, (3) compliance oversight, (4) watch list matching of passengers, (5) scope of the background check requirements and the procedures used to implement the requirement, and (6) other issues.

*Timetable:*

| Action                               | Date     | FR Cite     |
|--------------------------------------|----------|-------------|
| NPRM .....                           | 10/30/08 | 73 FR 64790 |
| NPRM Comment Period End.             | 12/29/08 |             |
| Notice-NPRM Comment Period Extended. | 11/25/08 | 73 FR 71590 |

| Action                                         | Date             | FR Cite     |
|------------------------------------------------|------------------|-------------|
| NPRM Extended Comment Period End.              | 02/27/09         |             |
| Notice—Public Meetings; Requests for Comments. | 12/18/08         | 73 FR 77045 |
| Supplemental NPRM.                             | To Be Determined |             |

*Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Yes.*

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