

Department of State; July 2016										
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State	Bureau of Political-Military Affairs (DDTC)	Revision of International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR) §123.22, §126.4, §123.9	1400-AC88	This rule will clarify the regulations pertaining to the export of items subject to the Export Administration Regulations, as well as to update the licensing exemption in ITAR §126.4 for exports made to or on behalf of an agency of the U.S. government. Other minor edits are made for clarity and to remove unnecessary paper submission requirements.	Ongoing	Proposed rule published 05/22/15. 80 FR 29551. Public comment period closed 07/06/15. Projected publish date of Final rule is 8/17/2016.	No	The Proposed rule invited public comment. The Final rule will not invite public comment.	This rule is expected to provide enhanced clarity regarding the license requirements for U.S. persons providing defense services abroad and will eliminate the need for authorizations for services that fall within the scope of the new exemption. Estimated burden reduction data is not available because DDTC cannot quantify, based on available license application data, the number of applications submitted that relate to a use-based fact pattern that is the subject of the revised exemption. DDTC will capture the volume of licenses received.	
State	Bureau of Political-Military Affairs (DDTC)	Revision of USML Categories I (Firearms), II (Guns and Armament), and Category III (Ammunition and Ordinance)	1400-AC90	This rule will revise the control text of these categories pursuant to the President's Export Control Reform initiative.	Ongoing	Proposed rule publication to be determined.	No	The Proposed rule will invite public comment.		
State	Bureau of Political-Military Affairs (DDTC)	Revision of USML Category XIV (Toxicological Agents, etc.) and Category XVIII (Directed Energy Weapons)	1400-AD03	This rule will revise the control text of this category pursuant to the President's Export Control Reform initiative.	Ongoing - Priority	Proposed rule PN 9166 published 06/17/2015. 80 FR 34572. Public Comment period closed 08/17/2015. Final rule PN 9466 published 07/28/2016. 81 FR 49531.	No	The Proposed rule invited public comment.	This rule is expected to lead to a reduction of burden by eliminating the necessity of an export license from the Department in certain instances. Certain of the items no longer requiring a Department license will require a Department of Commerce license, but the greater licensing flexibility afforded to exporters exporting under Commerce's jurisdiction will significantly reduce overall licensing burden. The reduction in license volume is also expected to result in cost savings to the defense industry, as fees paid by defense manufacturers and exporters to register with the Department are determined in part by the number of licenses submitted. In addition, clearer regulatory text should lead to burden reduction through the decreased use of the commodity jurisdiction determination procedure and less confusion for manufacturers and exporters. The Department estimates that implementation of a revised U.S. Munitions List will result in the submission of 40,000 fewer licenses to the Department annually and an estimated burden reduction of 40,000 hours.	
State	Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA)	Exchange Visitor Program – Summer Work Travel	1400-AD14	The proposed rule would improve program transparency and implement changes to reinforce Summer Work Travel as a cultural program, provide new oversight, monitoring, and program administration requirements, and institute measures that would further protect the health, safety, and welfare of exchange visitors.	State has submitted the rule to OMB for review under provisions of E.O. 12866.	The target date for Proposed rule submission is September 2016.	No	The Proposed rule will invite public comment.	None	
State	Bureau of Consular Affairs (Visa)	Visas: Documentation of Nonimmigrants Under The Immigration And Nationality Act, As Amended.	1400-AD30	Proposed reinstatement of a 1999 regulatory amendment that was invalidated by court order in United Airlines, Inc. v. Brien. Because of the court's ruling, the 1994 version of 22 CFR 41.2(j) is in effect until the Department issues a Final rule.	Ongoing - Priority	Proposed rule PN 9458 published 03/08/2016. 81 FR 12050. Public comment period closed 5/09/2016. The target date for Final rule is December 2016.	No	The Proposed rule invited public comments.	None	
State	Bureau of Consular Affairs (Office of Citizen Services)	22 CFR Part 193 Benefits for Hostages in Iraq, Kuwait, or Lebanon.	1400-AD31	This regulation originally implemented a program providing benefits for hostages in Lebanon from 06/01/82 and hostages in Iraq and Kuwait from 08/02/90 until the lifting of U.S. economic sanctions in May, 2003. The Department will be eliminating this regulation since the program has been closed.	Ongoing - The Retrospective Review Report is going through review at the Department.	Goal is to eliminate the regulation by August 2016.	No	This will be a Final rule eliminating an obsolete regulation. No public comment is necessary.	None	
State	Bureau of Political-Military Affairs (DDTC)	Revision of USML Category XII (Fire Control Equipment, etc.)	1400-AD32	This rule will revise the control text of this category pursuant to the President's Export Control Reform initiative.	Ongoing - Priority	Proposed rule PN 9110 published 05/05/15. 80 FR 25821. Public comment period closed 07/06/2015. Second Proposed rule PN 9445 published 02/19/2016. 81 FR 8438. Public comment period closed 04/04/2016. Target date for Final rule is August 2016.	No	Both Proposed Rules invited public comments.	This rule is expected to lead to a reduction of burden by eliminating the necessity of an export license from the Department in certain instances. Certain of the items no longer requiring a Department license will require a Department of Commerce license, but the greater licensing flexibility afforded to exporters exporting under Commerce's jurisdiction will significantly reduce overall licensing burden. The reduction in license volume is also expected to result in cost savings to the defense industry, as fees paid by defense manufacturers and exporters to register with the Department are determined in part by the number of licenses submitted. In addition, clearer regulatory text should lead to burden reduction through the decreased use of the commodity jurisdiction determination procedure and less confusion for manufacturers and exporters. The Department estimates that implementation of a revised U.S. Munitions List will result in the submission of 40,000 fewer licenses to the Department annually and an estimated burden reduction of 40,000 hours.	
State	Bureau of Administration	Availability of Information and Records to the Public - Update to FOIA rules, 22 CFR Part 171.	1400-AD44	The Final rule reflects changes in FOIA and other statutes and consequent changes in the Department's procedures since the last revision of the Department's regulations on this subject.	Completed	Proposed rule PN 9198 published 07/28/15. Comment period closed 9/28/15. Final rule PN 9510 published 04/06/2016. 81 FR 19863. Effective date is 05/06/2016.	No	The Proposed rule invited public comment. The Final rule did not invite public comment.	This rule updated the Department's FOIA rules to be in line with OMB and NARA guidance. Consistent FOIA rules make it easier for the public to request information.	
State	Bureau of Consular Affairs (Passport)	22 CFR Part 51 Addition for cancellation of Consular Reports of Birth Abroad (CRBA), incorporating statutory passport revocation/denial for sex crimes, and other changes.	1400-AD54	This rule is being revised to clarify hearing procedures, incorporate statutory passport denial and revocation requirements for certain sex offenders and statutory cancellation of erroneously or fraudulently issued Consular Reports of Birth Abroad (CRBA), and clarify availability of limited direct return passports. The change will bring the regulation into line with actual practice regarding canceling CRBAs.	Ongoing	Currently in Department clearance; projected for publication of Proposed rule in Federal Register September/October 2016.	No	Proposed Rule will invite public comment.	The changes to the sections will clarify procedures and make it easier for the public to understand the Department process.	
State	Bureau of Political-Military Affairs (DDTC)	Revision to definition for defense service, export, public domain, technical data.	1400-AD70; 1400-AC80;	This rule will revise the definitions of a number of key terms in the ITAR, pursuant to the President's Export Control Reform initiative.	Ongoing - 1400-AC80 has been merged with 1400-AD70; this effort is proceeding under 1400-AD70	Proposed rule PN 9149 published 06/03/2015. 80 FR 31525. Public comment period closed 08/03/15. Interim Final rule PN 9487 published 06/03/2016. 81 FR 35611. Effective date 9/01/2016. DOS accepted comments thru 7/05/2016. Projected to publish the Final rule prior to 9/01/2016.	No	The previous Proposed rule, which was limited to defense services, invited public comment, which was taken into consideration by the Department in its additional drafting efforts. The Interim Final rule invites the public to comment until 07/05/2016.	This rule is expected to provide enhanced clarity to exporters, and will eliminate the need for authorizations for items and services that fall outside of the scope of the definitions. Additionally, the harmonization of many definitions with those found in the Department of Commerce's Export Administration Regulations will provide additional clarity.	
State	Bureau of Political-Military Affairs (DDTC)	Registration and Licensing of U.S. Persons Employed by Foreign Persons, and Other Changes	1400-AD79	This rule will clarify requirements for the licensing and registration of U.S. persons providing defense services while in the employ of foreign persons.	Ongoing	Proposed rule published 05/26/15. 80 FR 30001. Public comment period closed 07/27/15. Target date for Final rule is CY 2017, in light of updated regulatory priorities.	No	The Proposed rule invited public comment.	This rule is expected to reduce reporting costs and facilitate cooperation between U.S. Government Agencies and make border operations more effective and efficient while saving government resources. Reporting costs are associated with the completion of form 2023 with a total burden time reduction of 1 hour per form. This proposed change is in compliance with section 6(a) of E.O. 13659, Streamlining the Export/Import Process for America's Businesses.	

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State	Office of Civil Rights	Electronic And Information Technology	1400-AD87	This Proposed rule implements Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act (Section 508) for the Department of State.	Initiated and completed since January Retrospective Rule Review report.	NPRM PN 9390 published 1/04/16. 81 FR 44. Public comment period ended 03/04/2016. Final rule PN 9498 published 05/24/2016. 81 FR 32645. Effective 06/23/2016.	No	The Proposed rule invited public comments until 03/04/2016. Final rule did not solicit public comments.	Section 508 requires Federal agencies to ensure accessibility by individuals with disabilities who are Federal employees, applicants for employment, or members of the public when developing, procuring, maintaining, or using electronic and information technology. This is an action that will improve government services to the American people.
State	Bureau of Political-Military Affairs (DDTC)	Amendment to the International Traffic In Arms Regulation: U.S. Munitions List Categories VIII and XIX.	1400-AD89	As part of the President's Export Control Reform (ECR) effort, the Department of State proposes to amend the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR) to revise Categories VIII (aircraft and related articles) and XIX (gas turbine engines and associated equipment) of the U.S. Munitions List (USML) to describe more precisely the articles warranting control on the USML. The revisions contained in this rule are part of the Department of State's retrospective plan under E.O. 13563.	Ongoing - Priority	Proposed rule PN 9395 published 02/09/2016. 81 FR 6797. Public comment period closed 03/25/2016. Target date for Final rule is September 2016.	No	The Proposed rule invited public comment.	None
State	Bureau of Consular Affairs (Office of Citizen Services)	Intercountry Adoptions: Regulatory Change to Accreditation and Approval Regulations to Clarify Authorization to Act in Countries of Origin, to Provide For Country-Specific Authorization, and to Expand Preparation of Prospective Adoptive Parents for Success in Intercountry Adoption.	1400-AD91	Proposed rule would amend requirements for accreditation of agencies and approval of persons to provide adoption services in intercountry adoption cases in 22 CFR part 96. It includes a new subpart establishing parameters for "country-specific authorization" (CSA), which would permit adoption service providers to act as primary providers in a CSA-designated country if they have received authorization for that particular country. The proposed rule also strengthens standards related to fees and the use of foreign providers. In addition it would enhance training standards related to the most common challenges faced by adoptive families, better preparing them for the needs of the specific child they are adopting. Finally, the proposed rule makes the mechanism to submit complaints about adoption service providers available to complainants even if they have not first addressed their complaint directly with the provider.	New to this report.	Projected publish date of Proposed rule is 8/16/2016. The target date for Final rule is October 2016. Projected effective date is November 2016.	No	The Proposed rule will invite public comment.	The Proposed rule would result in a modest increase in the cost of accreditation for adoption service providers. It does not increase PRA burdens because the Proposed rule falls under exceptions to PRA information collection rules in the Intercountry Adoption Act of 2000, at 42 U.S.C. §14953(c).
	Burden Reduction Initiatives - Information Collections								
State	Bureau of Consular Affairs (Passport)	Bureau of Consular Affairs - Statement Regarding a Lost or Stolen Passport	1405-0014	A passport bearer is required to submit a Statement Regarding a Lost or Stolen Passport, form DS-0064, after a loss or theft has taken place even if the bearer does not apply for a new passport. This Information Collection will make the option of reporting a passport loss or theft more convenient for the public and make processing the reports more efficient through the implementation of an electronic form.	Ongoing	The Department now offers a pilot version of online reporting of lost or stolen passports on its public-facing website travel.state.gov. The Department continues to develop this tool to more fully automate reporting processes and records management. Once those improvements are all completed, estimated to be at the beginning on CY 2017, the application will be fully rolled out.	Yes	Public comment and feedback functions added to travel.state.gov, customer surveys, social media (Twitter, Facebook), analyses of public access of the site, and gathering of metrics from the actual passports reported lost or stolen using the online service.	If 25% of average 122,500 respondents use the online version, at a savings of \$1-2 per form (mailing costs), the savings would be in the range of \$30,625-\$61,000. This is still an estimate. Estimated 3,516 hours saved per year.
State	Bureau of Consular Affairs (Passport)	Bureau of Consular Affairs -- U.S Passport Online Renewal Application for Eligible Individuals	1405-0020	The U.S. passport renewal application is used by eligible nationals of the United States who need to renew their current or recently expired U.S. passport, form DS-0082. This Information Collection will allow for online renewal applications for eligible individuals.	Ongoing	The development of an application to offer online passport renewal services requires robust systems development and testing. The Department is well into the development and testing process now. The Department expects to conclude these steps and deploy the application in early Fall, 2017.	No	Public comment and feedback added to Travel@state.gov website, customer surveys, social media (Twitter, Facebook), analyses of public access of the site, gathering of metrics from the actual issued passports for customers who used the online service.	The Department anticipates that online renewal passport applications will lower the total burden for average applicant due to easier submission mechanism. Financially the public will save on mailing costs the price of photographs, an approximate 15% or more financial savings. Convenience and time savings includes eliminating the applicant trip to the post office and to procure photographs, a two day savings in processing time for the Department, and the convenience of applying 24 hours per day 7 days per week. The overall burden reduction to the applicant would be a minimum of 20-25%. Estimated 168,630 hours saved per year.