

U.S. Customs and Border Protection



CUSTOMS BROKERS USER FEE PAYMENT FOR 2014

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: General notice.

SUMMARY: This document provides notice to customs brokers that the annual fee of \$138 that is assessed for each permit held by a broker, whether it may be an individual, partnership, association, or corporation, is due by February 21, 2014. U.S. Customs and Border Protection announces this date of payment for 2014 in accordance with the Tax Reform Act of 1986.

DATES: Payment of the 2014 Customs Broker User Fee is due February 21, 2014.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Craig Briess, Broker Management Branch, Office of International Trade, (202) 863-6083.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

CBP Dec. 07-01 amended section 111.96 of title 19 of the Code of Federal Regulations (19 CFR 111.96(c)) pursuant to the amendment of section 13031 of the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) of 1985 (19 U.S.C. 58c) by section 892 of the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004, to establish that effective April 1, 2007, an annual user fee of \$138 is to be assessed for each customs broker permit and national permit held by an individual, partnership, association, or corporation. U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) regulations provide that this fee is payable for each calendar year in each broker district where the broker was issued a permit to do business by the due date which is published in the **Federal Register** annually. *See* 19 CFR 24.22(h) and (i)(9). Broker districts are defined in the General Notice entitled, "Geographical Boundaries of Customs Brokerage, Cartage and Lighterage Districts" published in the **Federal Register** on September 27, 1995 (60 FR 49971).

Section 1893 of the Tax Reform Act of 1986 (Pub. L. 99-514) provides that notices of the date on which the payment is due for each broker permit shall be published by the Secretary of the Treasury in

the **Federal Register** no later than 60 days before such due date. Please note that section 403 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002, 6 U.S.C. 101 *et seq.*, (Pub. L. 107–296) and Treasury Department Order No. 100–16 (*see* Appendix to 19 CFR part 0) delegated general authority vested in the Secretary of the Treasury over customs revenue functions (with certain specified exceptions) to the Secretary of Homeland Security.

This document notifies customs brokers that for calendar year 2014, the due date for payment of the user fee is February 21, 2014. It is anticipated that for subsequent years, the annual user fee for customs brokers will be due on the first business day of February of each year.

Dated: December 16, 2013.

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**U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION 2014 EAST
COAST TRADE SYMPOSIUM: “INCREASING ECONOMIC
COMPETITIVENESS THROUGH GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP
AND INNOVATION”**

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

ACTION: Notice of Trade Symposium.

SUMMARY: This document announces that CBP will convene only one Symposium in 2014, the East Coast Trade Symposium, which will be held in Washington, DC on Thursday, March 6 and Friday, March 7, 2014. The East Coast Trade Symposium will feature panel discussions involving agency personnel, members of the trade community and other government agencies, on the agency’s role in international trade initiatives and programs. This marks our thirteenth year convening the Trade Symposium. Members of the international trade and transportation communities and other interested parties are encouraged to attend.

DATES: Thursday, March 6, 2014, (opening remarks and general sessions, 8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.). Friday, March 7, 2014, (opening remarks, breakout sessions, and closing remarks, 8:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m.).

ADDRESSES: The CBP 2014 East Coast Trade Symposium will be held at the Washington Hilton Hotel, at 1919 Connecticut Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20009, in the Columbia 5–12 room.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Office of Trade Relations at (202) 344– 1440, or at tradeevents@dhs.gov. To obtain the latest information on the Symposium and to register online, visit the CBP Web site at http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/trade_outreach/2014_trade_symp/. Requests for special needs should be sent to the Office of Trade Relations at tradeevents@dhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

CBP will be holding one Trade Symposium in 2014 and it will be held on the East Coast in Washington, DC. Due to budgetary constraints as a result of sequestration, CBP will not be holding a West Coast Trade Symposium in 2014. This document announces that CBP will convene the 2014 East Coast Trade Symposium on Thursday, March 6 and Friday, March 7, 2014. The theme for the 2014 East Coast Trade Symposium will be “Increasing Economic Competitiveness Through Global Partnership and Innovation.” The format of the East Coast Trade Symposium will be held with general sessions and breakout sessions. Discussions will be held regarding CBP’s role in international trade initiatives and partnerships.

The agenda for the 2014 East Coast Trade Symposium and the keynote speakers will be announced at a later date on the CBP Web site (<http://www.cbp.gov>). Registration is now open. The registration fee is \$128.00 per person. Interested parties are requested to register early, as space is limited. All registrations must be made online at the CBP Web site (http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/trade_outreach/2014_trade_symp/) and will be confirmed with payment by credit card only.

Due to the overwhelming interest to attend past symposiums, each company is requested to limit its company’s registrations to no more than three participants, in order to afford equal representation from all members of the international trade community. If a company exceeds the limitation, any additional names submitted for registration will automatically be placed on a waiting list.

Hotel accommodations will be announced at a later date on the CBP Web site (<http://www.cbp.gov>).

Dated: December 16, 2013.

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**AGENCY INFORMATION COLLECTION ACTIVITIES:
SMALL VESSEL REPORTING SYSTEM**

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: 30-Day notice and request for comments; Extension of an existing information collection: 1651-0137.

SUMMARY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) of the Department of Homeland Security will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act: Small Vessel Reporting System (SVRS). This is a proposed extension of an information collection that was previously approved. CBP is proposing that this information collection be extended with a change to the burden hours. This document is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. This proposed information collection was previously published in the **Federal Register** (78 FR 61378) on October 3, 2013, allowing for a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before January 21, 2014 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on this information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget. Comments should be addressed to the OMB Desk Officer for Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, and sent via electronic mail to oir_submission@omb.eop.gov or faxed to (202) 395-5806.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information should be directed to Tracey Denning, U.S.

Customs and Border Protection, Regulations and Rulings, Office of International Trade, 90 K Street NE., 10th Floor, Washington, DC 20229-1177, at 202-325-0265.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) encourages the general public and affected Federal agencies to submit written comments and suggestions on proposed and/or continuing information collection requests pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act (Pub. L. 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3507). Your comments should address one of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency/component, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies/components estimate of the burden of The proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collections of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological techniques or other forms of information.

Title: Small Vessel Reporting System.

OMB Number: 1651-0137.

Form Number: None.

Abstract: The Small Vessel Reporting System (SVRS) is a program that allows certain participants using small pleasure boats to report their arrival telephonically instead of having to appear in person for inspection by a CBP officer each time they enter the United States. In some cases, a participant may also be asked to report to CBP for an in person inspection upon arrival. Participants may be U.S. citizens, U.S. lawful permanent residents, Canadian citizens, and permanent residents of Canada who are nationals of Visa Waiver Program countries listed in 8 CFR 217.2(a). In addition, participants of one or more Trusted Traveler programs and current Canadian Border Boater Landing Permit (CBP Form I-68) holders may participate in SVRS.

In order to register for the SVRS pilot program, participants enter data via the SVRS Web site which collects information such as biographical information and vessel information. Participants will go through the in person CBP inspection process during SVRS registration, and in some cases, upon arrival in the United States.

For each voyage, SVRS participants will be required to submit a float plan about their voyage via the SVRS Web site in advance of arrival in the United States. The float plan includes vessel information, listing of all persons on board, estimated dates and times of departure and return, and information on the locations to be visited on the trip. Participants in SVRS can create a float plan for an individual voyage or a template for a float plan that can be used multiple times.

SVRS is authorized by 8 U.S.C. 1103, 8 U.S.C. 1225, 8 U.S.C. 1365b, 8 CFR 235.1, 19 U.S.C. 1433, 19 U.S.C. 1498, and 19 CFR 4.2. The SVRS Web site is accessible at: <https://svrs.cbp.dhs.gov/>.

Current Actions: CBP proposes to extend the expiration date of this information collection with a change to the burden hours resulting from updated estimates of the number of participants and the time per response. There is no change to the information being collected.

Type of Review: Extension (with change).

Affected Public: Individuals.

SVRS Application

Estimated Number of Respondents: 8,938.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 8,938.

Estimated Time per Response: 15 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 2,235.

Float Plan

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,252.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 2,252.

Estimated Time per Response: 10.6 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 398.

Dated: December 16, 2013.

TRACEY DENNING,
Agency Clearance Officer,
U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

**AGENCY INFORMATION COLLECTION ACTIVITIES:
CBP Regulations Pertaining to Customs Brokers**

Correction

In notice document 2013–30220 appearing on page 76851 of the issue of Thursday, December 19, 2013, make the following correction:

In the first column, in the heading, the subject line is corrected to read as set forth above.

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**AGENCY INFORMATION COLLECTION ACTIVITIES:
Documents Required Aboard Private Aircraft**

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), Department of Homeland Security

ACTION: 60-Day Notice and request for comments; Extension of an existing collection of information: 1651–0058.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, CBP invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on an information collection requirement concerning the Documents Required Aboard Private Aircraft. This request for comment is being made pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13; 44 U.S.C. 3507).

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before February 21, 2014, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Attn: Tracey Denning, Regulations and Rulings, Office of International Trade, 90 K Street NE., 10th Floor, Washington, DC. 20229–1177.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information should be directed to Tracey Denning, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Regulations and Rulings, Office of International Trade, 90 K Street NE., 10th Floor, Washington, DC. 20229–1177, at 202–325–0265.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

CBP invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13; 44 U.S.C. 3507). The comments should address: (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 estimates 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 including the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology; and (e) the annual costs burden to respondents or record keepers from the collection of information (a total capital/startup costs and operations and maintenance costs). The comments that are submitted will be summarized and included in the CBP request for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. In this document CBP is soliciting comments concerning the following information collection:

Title: Documents Required Aboard Private Aircraft

OMB Number: 1651–0058

Form Number: None

Abstract: In accordance with 19 CFR 122.27, a commander of a private aircraft arriving in the U.S. must present several documents to CBP officers for inspection. These documents include: 1) a pilot certificate/license; 2) a medical certificate; and 3) a certificate of registration, which is also called a “pink slip” and is a duplicate copy of the Aircraft Registration Application (FAA Form AC 8050–1). The information on these documents is used by CBP officers as an essential part of the inspection process for private aircraft arriving from a foreign country. These requirements are authorized by 19 U.S.C. 1433, as amended by Public Law 99–570.

Current Actions: CBP proposes to extend the expiration date of this information collection with no change to the burden hours.

Type of Review: Extension (with change)

Affected Public: Individuals

Estimated Number of Respondents: 120,000

Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 120,000

Estimated Time per Response: 1 minute

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,992

Dated: December 18, 2013.

TRACEY DENNING,
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U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

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