

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Transportation Security Administration

[Docket No. TSA–2005–20118]

Intent To Request Extension From OMB of One Current Public Collection of Information: Maryland Three Airports: Enhanced Security Procedures for Operations at Certain Airports in the Washington, DC, Metropolitan Area Flight Restricted Zone

AGENCY: Transportation Security Administration, DHS.

ACTION: 60-Day notice.

SUMMARY: The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) invites public comment on one currently approved Information Collection Request (ICR), Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number 1652–0029, that we will submit to OMB for an extension in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA). The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden. The collection is necessary to comply with a requirement for individuals to successfully complete a security threat assessment before operating an aircraft or serving as an airport security coordinator at one of the Maryland Three airports.

DATES: Send your comments by January 13, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be emailed to TSAPRA@tsa.dhs.gov or delivered to the TSA PRA Officer, Information Technology (IT), TSA–11, Transportation Security Administration, 6595 Springfield Center Drive, Springfield, VA 20598–6011.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christina A. Walsh at the above address, or by telephone (571) 227–2062.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The ICR documentation will be available at <https://www.reginfo.gov> upon its submission to OMB. Therefore, in preparation for OMB review and approval of the following information collection, TSA is soliciting comments to—

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed information requirement is necessary for the proper performance of the functions

of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden;

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

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

Information Collection Requirement

OMB Control Number 1652–0029; Maryland Three Airports: Enhanced Security Procedures for Operations at Certain Airports in the Washington, DC Metropolitan Area Flight Restricted Zone, 49 CFR part 1562. TSA's regulations impose requirements and security procedures on airport operators of three airports in the State of Maryland that are located within the Washington, DC, Metropolitan Area Flight Restricted Zone (Maryland Three Airports),¹ and on individuals operating aircraft to or from these airports. The information collected is used to determine compliance with 49 CFR part 1562, subpart A.

Part 1562, subpart A, allows an individual who is approved by TSA to operate an aircraft to or from one of the Maryland Three Airports or to serve as an airport security coordinator at one of these airports. In order to be approved, a pilot or airport security coordinator applicant is required to submit information and successfully complete a security threat assessment. As part of this threat assessment, the applicant must submit their fingerprints and undergo a criminal history records check and a check of Government terrorist watch lists and other databases to determine whether the individual poses, or is suspected of posing, a threat to transportation or national security. An applicant will not receive TSA's approval under this analysis if TSA determines or suspects the applicant of being a threat to national or transportation security.

Applicants can be fingerprinted at the Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport's badging office and any participating airport badging office or law enforcement office located nearby to

¹ The Maryland Three Airports are: College Park Airport, Potomac Airfield, and Washington Executive/Hyde Field. However, on November 30, 2022, Washington Executive/Hyde Field ceased operations following a bankruptcy sale of the airport property. Nevertheless, TSA will continue to use TSA Form 418 to collect the information as required by 49 CFR part 1562, subpart A.

the applicant's residence or place of work. Airport security coordinators and pilots must complete the applicable sections of TSA Form 418, which include but are not limited to the following: full name; Social Security number; date of birth; address; phone number and email; current and valid airman certificate or current and valid student pilot certificate; current medical certificate; a list of the make, model, and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) aircraft registration number for each aircraft the pilot intends to operate at Maryland Three Airports; one form of Government-issued picture ID; the certificate of completion of the FAA DC Special Flight Rules Area training; and fingerprints. Although not required by the rule, TSA asks applicants to voluntarily provide an email address and emergency contact phone number to facilitate immediate communication that might be necessary when operating in the Flight Restricted Zone or helpful during the application process.

TSA also provides an option to submit certain documents for the application by email. For example, applicants no longer need to submit the required documentation to the FAA Flight Standards District Offices in-person, but may submit the information to TSA electronically at mdthree@tsa.dhs.gov. This option does not apply to fingerprints, which must continue to be collected in-person at the various locations.

TSA receives approximately 369 applications (366 pilots and 3 airport security coordinators) annually and estimates applicants spend approximately 5.75 hours to prepare and submit the information to TSA, which is a total annual burden of 2,121.75 hours.

Christina A. Walsh,

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Transportation Security Administration

RIN 1652–ZA18

TSA PreCheck® Application Program Fee

AGENCY: Transportation Security Administration, DHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) administers the

TSA PreCheck® Application Program, in which individuals determined to be low-risk travelers may receive expedited airport security screening. To apply for TSA Precheck® eligibility, individuals submit biometric and biographic information that TSA uses to verify identity and conduct a security threat assessment and submit fees to cover the costs associated with the program. TSA announces in this Notice that, under certain circumstances, the membership renewal fee will be reduced by \$11.25 due to changes related to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) fee for criminal history checks.

DATES: This notice is effective November 12, 2024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Anne Walbridge, Transportation Security Administration, 6595 Springfield Center Drive, Springfield, VA 20598-6047; by phone at (240) 568-5372, or email at TSAPrecheckEnrollment@tsa.dhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Availability of Notice Document

You can get an electronic copy using the internet by—

(1) Accessing the Government Printing Office's web page at <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/browse/collection.action?collectionCode=FR> to view the daily published **Federal Register** edition; or accessing the "Search the **Federal Register** by Citation" in the "Related Resources" column on the left, if you need to do a Simple or Advanced search for information, such as a type of document that crosses multiple agencies or dates; or

(2) Visiting TSA's Security Regulations web page at <https://www.tsa.gov> and accessing the link for "Stakeholders" at the top of the page, then the link "Research Center" in the left column.

In addition, copies are available by writing or calling the individual in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

I. Background

A. Overview of TSA PreCheck® Application Program

The TSA PreCheck® Application Program is a voluntary, expedited security screening program connecting low-risk travelers departing from the United States with smarter security and a better air travel experience.¹ As of

August 2024, there are approximately 20 million members in the TSA PreCheck® Application Program. Individuals enrolled in the TSA PreCheck® Application Program are eligible to receive expedited screening at U.S. airports. As explained in its Notice establishing the program,² membership in the TSA PreCheck® Application Program is within the sole discretion of TSA.

TSA established the TSA PreCheck® Application Program in December 2013 to expand access to expedited screening to individuals who voluntarily provide information that TSA uses to determine whether the traveler is low risk.³ TSA uses biographic and biometric information the applicant provides to conduct a security threat assessment (STA) that includes review of criminal history, immigration, intelligence, and regulatory violation records. During the enrollment process, TSA requires applicants to present government-issued identity documents with a photo to prove their identity and that they are a U.S. person.

Following enrollment, TSA evaluates the information generated by the vetting process to determine whether the individual poses a low risk to transportation and national security. Once completed, the STA remains valid for 5 years, provided the individual continues to meet the eligibility standards. At the end of the 5-year term, individuals wishing to maintain their membership must renew it by completing a new STA and paying renewal fees.

If TSA determines that the applicant is low risk, TSA issues a Known Traveler Number (KTN)⁴ that the individual enters when making flight reservations. Enrollment in the TSA PreCheck® Application Program and use of the associated KTN do not guarantee that an individual will receive expedited screening at airport security checkpoints. TSA retains an element of randomness to maintain unpredictability for security purposes, and travelers with valid KTNs may be selected for additional physical screening on occasion.

An individual is ineligible for a KTN and access to TSA PreCheck® expedited screening if TSA determines the individual poses a risk to transportation or national security; has committed

certain criminal acts;⁵ does not meet the immigration status standards;⁶ has committed regulatory violations;⁷ or is otherwise not a low-risk traveler. TSA notifies individuals who it determines are ineligible for a KTN or whose membership in the program is revoked, in writing, and they continue to undergo standard screening at airport security checkpoints.

B. Program Fees

TSA is required by law to collect a non-refundable fee to cover the costs of operating the TSA PreCheck® Application Program.⁸ Collecting biographic and biometric information from applicants, conducting the STA, adjudicating the results of the STA, and managing the program⁹ generate costs for TSA, the enrollment providers who TSA has selected to conduct enrollment, and the FBI who processes the fingerprint-based criminal history records check. Consistent with the statutory mandate, TSA established a fee structure for new TSA PreCheck® enrollments and renewals. The fee includes a TSA fee, an FBI fee, and an enrollment provider fee.

The TSA fee recovers TSA's costs to analyze the immigration, terrorism, criminal, and regulatory violation information generated in the vetting process to determine whether applicants meet all eligibility requirements; notify applicants of TSA's determination; issue KTNs to eligible individuals; conduct research and development for innovative improvements to enrollment, expedited screening, and overall airport experience; expand the TSA PreCheck®: Touchless Identity Solution;¹⁰ and continue to monitor databases and information to confirm that members remain low risk. The current TSA fee is \$42.75.¹¹

The FBI fee covers the FBI's costs to compare fingerprints against the national criminal databases and return any results to TSA. This fee also

⁵ See 49 CFR 1572.103 for the criminal standards that apply to TSA PreCheck® applicants.

⁶ Individuals who apply for membership in the TSA PreCheck® Application Program must be U.S. citizens, U.S. Nationals, or Lawful Permanent Residents.

⁷ For instance, an individual who interferes with security screening or brings a weapon to the security checkpoint would be deemed ineligible for TSA PreCheck® expedited screening and their membership in the program may be revoked.

⁸ See sec. 540 of the DHS appropriations act of 2006, Public Law 109-90 (119 Stat. 2064, 2088-89, Oct. 18, 2005); 49 U.S.C. 114 (note).

⁹ *Id.*

¹⁰ For more information on the Touchless Identity Solution, visit tsa.gov/digital-id.

¹¹ If it is necessary to change this fee in the future, TSA will notify the public through publication of a Notice in the **Federal Register**.

¹ For purpose of this document, the "TSA PreCheck® Application Program" refers to the DHS Trusted Traveler Program that TSA operates to determine if individuals are low-risk and may receive expedited screening. "TSA PreCheck®" refers to expedited screening provided by TSA.

² See Notice, 78 FR 72922 (Dec. 4, 2013).

³ *Id.*

⁴ The Known Traveler Number is a component of Secure Flight Passenger Data, which is defined in TSA Secure Flight regulations at 49 CFR 1560.3. See also the Secure Flight regulations at 49 CFR part 1560.

includes subscription in the FBI Rap Back program, which provides TSA notification of any new criminal activity or information. The FBI determines when it is necessary to change its fee for this service and publishes a Notice of those changes in the **Federal Register**.¹² TSA ensures that the current FBI fee is collected during enrollment and transmitted to the FBI. The current FBI fee is \$11.25.

The enrollment provider fee covers the cost of the vendor's enrollment products and services to include costs to establish and maintain enrollment centers; equip and staff the centers; develop and maintain the information technology infrastructure to securely collect and transmit applicant data; and administer these services. The enrollment provider collects this fee directly from the applicant during enrollment and retains it; TSA does not ingest, transfer, or retain the enrollment provider fee.

When the TSA PreCheck® Application Program launched in 2013, the enrollment provider fee was set via contract. TSA recompeted this contract in 2019. The contract was awarded to IDEMIA and set an updated enrollment provider fee. In 2018, Congress passed the *TSA Modernization Act*¹³ requiring TSA to increase the number of enrollment providers in the TSA PreCheck® program. This legislation sought to add competition, capabilities, and options to the enrollment process and provides that TSA must select at least two additional enrollment vendors to conduct enrollment under Other Transaction Agreements (OTAs) with TSA. Unlike a contract, an OTA permits the vendor to establish its fees and the services it wishes to provide, rather than having them set by TSA, which increases the opportunity for options and services for the applicants. Applicants can choose an enrollment provider based on the services it provides in addition to TSA PreCheck® enrollment. Nothing in the OTA process prevents TSA and the FBI from receiving their respective fees. TSA entered into OTAs with IDEMIA,¹⁴ Alclear, LLC and Telos Identity Management Solutions, LLC in 2020 to provide enrollment services for the TSA PreCheck® program. TSA maintains a

list of the overall fees to enroll in TSA PreCheck®, by enrollment provider, at www.tsa.gov/precheck. These fees include the TSA fee, the FBI fee, and the enrollment provider fee.

II. Reduced Renewal Fee

In May 2021, TSA began subscribing TSA PreCheck® Application Program members in the FBI's Rap Back service.¹⁵ The FBI currently charges \$11.25 to process fingerprints for the criminal history records check and retain them in the FBI's Next Generation Identification system. The FBI then allows TSA to subscribe individuals in Rap Back at no additional cost. Currently, the FBI permits an individual seeking to renew TSA PreCheck® membership to remain subscribed in Rap Back if their STA has not expired and the enrollment provider remains the same. In these cases, the FBI does not charge the \$11.25 FBI fee.

TSA's contract with IDEMIA requires this \$11.25 savings to be passed on to the renewing individual. Providers operating under an OTA with TSA may, but are not required, to pass this savings on to the individual. As stated above, the OTA process permits the provider to set its fees and services, which applicants may take into account when choosing a provider.

TSA will continue to maintain a current listing of the overall fees for all enrollment and renewal options at www.tsa.gov/precheck.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

[OMB Control Number 1615-0007]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Reinstatement, With Change, of a Previously Approved Collection for Which Approval Has Expired: Change of Address

AGENCY: U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security.

¹⁵ Rap Back is an optional service offered by the FBI that provides authorized users with the capability to subscribe an individual to receive notification of subsequent triggering information, such as a new criminal arrest or the disposition of an old arrest, involving that individual during the term of enrollment.

ACTION: 30-Day notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Homeland Security (DHS), U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comments.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until December 13, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, must be submitted via the Federal eRulemaking Portal website at <http://www.regulations.gov> under e-Docket ID number USCIS-2008-0018. All submissions received must include the OMB Control Number 1615-0007 in the body of the letter, the agency name and Docket ID USCIS-2008-0018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: USCIS, Office of Policy and Strategy, Regulatory Coordination Division, Samantha Deshommes, Chief, telephone number (240) 721-3000 (This is not a toll-free number; comments are not accepted via telephone message.). Please note contact information provided here is solely for questions regarding this notice. It is not for individual case status inquiries. Applicants seeking information about the status of their individual cases can check Case Status Online, available at the USCIS website at <http://www.uscis.gov>, or call the USCIS Contact Center at 800-375-5283 (TTY 800-767-1833).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments

The information collection notice was previously published in the **Federal Register** on August 16, 2024, at 89 FR 66733, allowing for a 60-day public comment period. USCIS received two comments in connection with the 60-day notice.

You may access the information collection instrument with instructions, or additional information by visiting the Federal eRulemaking Portal site at: <http://www.regulations.gov> and enter USCIS-2008-0018 in the search box. Comments must be submitted in English, or an English translation must be provided. The comments submitted to USCIS via this method are visible to the Office of Management and Budget and comply with the requirements of 5

¹² See <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2022/08/04/2022-16668/fbis-criminal-justice-information-services-division-user-fee-schedule>.

¹³ *TSA Modernization Act*, division K—title I of the FAA Reauthorization Act sec. 1937(f), Public Law 115-254, 132 Stat. 3186 (Oct. 5, 2018).

¹⁴ IDEMIA has an OTA with TSA for the TSA PreCheck® Application Program and a contract for TSA enrollment, to include TSA PreCheck®.