

with Responses to Office Actions or Preliminary Amendment. The USPTO calculates these fees as part of another collection.

IV. Request for Comments

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Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: December 1, 2005.

Susan K. Brown,

Records Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Office of Data Architecture and Services, Data Administration Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Patent and Trademark Office

Fastener Quality Act Insignia Recordal Process

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on the continuing information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before February 6, 2006.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- E-mail: Susan.Brown@uspto.gov. Include "0651-0028 comment" in the subject line of the message.

- Fax: 571-273-0112, marked to the attention of Susan Brown.

- Mail: Susan K. Brown, Records Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Office of Data Architecture and Services, Data Administration Division, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information should be directed to the attention of Sharon Marsh, Deputy Commissioner for Trademark Examination Policy, Office of the Commissioner for Trademarks, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, PO Box 1451, Alexandria, VA 22313-1451; by telephone at 571-272-8900; or by e-mail at Sharon.Marsh@uspto.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

Under Section 5 of the Fastener Quality Act (FQA), 15 U.S.C. 5401 et seq. (as amended by Pub. L. 104-113, Pub. L. 105-234, and Pub. L. 106-34), certain industrial fasteners are required to bear an insignia identifying the manufacturer. The manufacturers of these fasteners are required to record the insignia with the USPTO to ensure that a fastener can be traced back to its manufacturer. The procedures for the recordal of insignias under the FQA are set forth in 15 CFR 280.300-280.326.

It is mandatory for manufacturers of fasteners covered by the FQA to submit an application to the USPTO for recordal of an insignia on the Fastener Insignia Register. The insignia may be either a unique alphanumeric designation that the USPTO will issue upon request, or a trademark that is either (1) registered at the USPTO or (2) the subject of an application to obtain a registration. Upon successful application for recordal of a fastener insignia, the USPTO will issue a Certificate of Recordal, which remains active for five years and then must be renewed. If ownership of a recorded alphanumeric designation is assigned to another entity, the designation becomes "inactive" and the new owner must submit an application in order to reactivate the designation within six months of the date of assignment. If the recordal is based on a trademark application or registration that is

subsequently assigned to a new owner, the recordal becomes "inactive" and cannot be reactivated. Instead, the new owner of the trademark application or registration must apply for a new recordal.

This information collection includes one form, the Application for Recordal of Insignia or Renewal/Reactivation of Recordal Under the Fastener Quality Act (PTO-1611), which provides manufacturers with a convenient way to submit a request for the recordal of a fastener insignia or to renew or reactivate an existing Certificate of Recordal. Use of Form PTO-1611 is not mandatory, and applicants may instead prepare requests for recordal using their own format.

The public uses this information collection to comply with the insignia recordal provisions of the FQA. The USPTO uses the information in this collection to maintain the Fastener Insignia Register, which is open to public inspection. The public may download the Fastener Insignia Register from the USPTO Web site or purchase printed copies from the USPTO.

II. Method of Collection

By mail, facsimile, or hand delivery to the USPTO.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0651-0028.

Form Number(s): PTO-1611.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profits.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 37 responses per year.

Estimated Time Per Response: The USPTO estimates that it will take the public approximately 10 minutes (0.17 hours) to gather the necessary information, prepare the form, and submit the request for recordal or renewal of a fastener insignia to the USPTO.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Burden Hours: 6 hours per year.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Cost Burden: \$486 per year. The USPTO expects that the information in this collection will be prepared by paraprofessionals at an estimated rate of \$81 per hour. Therefore, the USPTO estimates that the respondent cost burden for this collection will be \$486 per year.

Item	Estimated time for response	Estimated annual responses	Estimated annual burden hours
Application for Recordal of Insignia or Renewal/Reactivation of Recordal Under the Fastener Quality Act (PTO-1611).	10 minutes	37	6
Total	37	6

Estimated Total Annual Non-hour Respondent Cost Burden: \$863. There are no capital start-up costs, recordkeeping costs, or maintenance costs associated with this information collection. However, this collection does have annual (non-hour) costs in the form of filing fees and postage costs.

Under 37 CFR 2.7, the filing fee for a recordal of fastener insignia or a renewal of an insignia recordal is \$20. The USPTO estimates that it will receive 37 recordals or renewals of fastener insignia per year for a total of \$740 in filing fees. If a manufacturer submits a renewal after the expiration date but within six months of that date, then the manufacturer must pay an additional \$20 late renewal surcharge. The USPTO estimates that approximately 5 of the estimated 37 responses per year will be late renewals that incur the surcharge, for a total of \$100 in additional charges. Therefore, the total estimated filing costs for this collection will be \$863 per year.

The public may submit the information for this collection to the USPTO by mail through the United States Postal Service. The USPTO estimates that the average first-class postage cost for a mailed submission will be 63 cents, for a total postage cost of \$23 per year.

The total non-hour respondent cost burden for this collection in the form of filing costs and postage costs is estimated to be \$863 per year.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Announcement of Import Restraint Limits for Certain Wool Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Ukraine

December 2, 2005.

AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection establishing limits.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ross Arnold, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on the quota status of these limits, refer to the Bureau of Customs and Border Protection Web site (<http://www.cbp.gov>), or call (202) 344-2650. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, refer to the Office of Textiles and Apparel Web site at <http://otexa.ita.doc.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended.

The Bilateral Textile Agreement of July 22, 1998, as amended and extended by exchange of notes on November 19, 2004, December 31, 2004, and February 7, 2005, between the Governments of the United States and Ukraine establishes limits for certain wool textile products, produced or manufactured in Ukraine and exported during the period

beginning on January 1, 2006 and extending through December 31, 2006.

In the letter published below, the Chairman of CITA directs the Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection to establish the 2006 limits. The limit for Category 435 is being reduced for carryforward applied to the 2005 limit.

These limits may be revised if Ukraine becomes a member of the World Trade Organization (WTO) and the United States applies the WTO agreement to Ukraine.

A description of the textile and apparel categories in terms of HTS numbers is available in the CORRELATION: Textile and Apparel Categories with the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (refer to the Office of Textiles and Apparel Web site at <http://otexa.ita.doc.gov>).

James C. Leonard III,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

December 2, 2005.

Commissioner,
Bureau of Customs and Border Protection,
Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: Pursuant to section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended; and the Bilateral Textile Agreement of July 22, 1998, as amended and extended by exchange of notes on November 19, 2004, December 31, 2004, and February 7, 2005, between the Governments of the United States and Ukraine, you are directed to prohibit, effective on January 1, 2006, entry into the United States for consumption and withdrawal from warehouse for consumption of wool textile products in the following categories, produced or manufactured in Ukraine and exported during the twelve-month period beginning on January 1, 2006 and extending through December 31, 2006, in excess of the following levels of restraint:

Category	Twelve-month limit
435	103,680 dozen.
442	17,575 dozen.
444	76,158 numbers.
448	76,158 dozen.

The limits set forth above are subject to adjustment pursuant to the current bilateral