

NFPA No.	Title	Proposal closing date
8504	Standard on Atmospheric Fluidized-Bed Boiler Operation	07/02/99
8505	Standard for Stoker Operation	07/02/99
8506	Standard on Heat Recovery Steam Generators Systems	07/02/99

*P Proposed NEW drafts are available from the NFPA Codes and Standards Administration, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02269.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

[Notice 1]

National Fire Codes: Request for Comments on NFPA Technical Committee Reports

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) is publishing this notice for the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) as a public service. NIST does not necessarily endorse, approve, or recommend any of the standards referenced in the notice.

The NFPA revises existing standards and adopts new standards twice a year. At its November meeting or its May meeting, the NFPA acts on recommendations made by its technical committees. The purpose of this notice is to request comments on technical committee reports which will be presented at NFPA's May 2000 Meeting.

DATES: Forty reports appear in the 2000 May Meeting Report on Proposals which becomes available on July 30, 1999. Comments received on or before

October 8, 1999, will be considered by the respective NFPA committees before final action is taken on the proposals.

ADDRESSES: The "2000 May Meeting Report on Proposals" is available from NFPA, Fulfillment Center, 11 Tracy Drive, Avon, MA 02322. Comments on the technical committee reports should be submitted to Casey C. Grant, Secretary, Standards Council, NFPA, 1 Batterymarch Park, P.O. Box 9101, Quincy, Massachusetts 02269-9101.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Casey C. Grant, Secretary, Standards Council, NFPA, at the above address, (617) 770-3000.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Standards developed by NFPA technical committees have been used by various Federal agencies as the basis for Federal regulations concerning fire safety. The NFPA codes and standards are known collectively as the "National Fire Codes." Often, the Office of the Federal Register approves the incorporation by reference of these standards under 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR Part 51.

Revisions of existing standards and adoption of new standards are reported by NFPA technical committees at the NFPA November meeting or at the May meeting each year. The NFPA invites public comment on its technical committee reports contained in the

"2000 May Meeting Report on Proposals."

Request for Comments

Interested persons may participate in these revisions by submitting written data, views, or arguments to Casey C. Grant, Secretary, Standards Council, NFPA, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, Massachusetts 02269-9101.

Commenters may use the forms provided for comments in the "2000 May Meeting Report on Proposals." Each person submitting a comment should include his or her name and address, identify the notice, and give reasons for any recommendations. Comments received on or before October 8, 1999 will be considered by the NFPA before final action is taken on the proposals.

Copies of all written comments received and the disposition of those comments by the NFPA committees will be published as the "2000 May Meeting Report on Comments" by March 31, 2000, prior to the May Meeting. A copy of this report will be sent automatically to each commenter. Action on the reports of the NFPA technical committees (adoption or rejection) will be taken at the May Meeting, May 14-18, 2000 in Denver, Colorado, by NFPA members.

Authority: 15 U.S.C. 272.

Dated: July 6, 1999.

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Deputy Director.

REPORT ON PROPOSALS

Doc.	Title	Action
30	Flammable and Combustible Liquids Code	P
30A	Automotive and Marine Service Station Code	P
32	Standard for Drycleaning Plants	C
33	Standard for Spray Application Using Flammable or Combustible Materials	P
34	Standard for Dipping and Coating Processes Using Flammable or Combustible Liquids	P
45	Standard on Fire Protection for Laboratories Using Chemicals	C
73	Residential Electrical Maintenance Code for One- and Two-Family Dwellings	P
77	Recommended Practice on Static Electricity	C
92A	Recommended Practice for Smoke-Control Systems	C
92B	Guide for Smoke Management Systems in Malls, Atria, and Large Areas	C
122	Standard for Fire Prevention and Control in Underground Metal and Nonmetal Mines	R
150	Standard on Fire Safety in Racetrack Stables	P
203	Guide on Roof Coverings and Roof Deck Constructions	P
214	Standard on Water-Cooling Towers	P
221	Standard for Fire Walls and Fire Barrier Walls	P
231D	Standard for Storage of Rubber Tires	W
232	Standard for the Protection of Records	C
232A	Guide for Fire Protection for Archives and Records Centers	W

REPORT ON PROPOSALS—Continued

Doc.	Title	Action
241	Standard for Safeguarding Construction, Alteration, and Demolition Operations	P
303	Fire Protection Standard for Marinas and Boatyards	P
307	Standard for the Construction and Fire Protection of Marine Terminals, Piers, and Wharves	P
312	Standard for Fire Protection of Vessels during Construction, Repair, and Lay-Up	P
318	Standard for the Protection of Cleanrooms	P
481	Standard for the Production, Processing, Handling and Storage of Titanium	P
495	Explosive Materials Code	P
498	Standard for Safe Havens and Interchange Lots for Vehicles Transporting Explosives	P
501	Standard on Manufactured Housing	P
501A	Standard for Fire Safety Criteria for Manufactured Home Installations, Sites, and Communities	P
555	Guide on Methods for Evaluating Potential for Room Flashover	R
650	Standard for Pneumatic Conveying Systems for Handling Combustible Particulate Solids	W
654	Standard for the Prevention of Fire and Dust Explosions from the Manufacturing, Processing, and Handling of Combustible Particulate Solids.	C
703	Standard for Fire Retardant Impregnated Wood and Fire Retardant Coatings for Building Materials	P
720	Recommended Practice for the Installation of Household Carbon Monoxide (CO) Warning Equipment	C
780	Standard for the Installation of Lighting Protection Systems	P
853	Standard for the Installation of Stationary Fuel Cell Power Plants	N
1000	Standard for Fire Service Professional Qualifications Accreditation and Certification Systems	C
1071	Standard for Emergency Vehicle Technician Professional Qualifications	N
1123	Code for Fireworks Display	P
1145	Guide for the Use of Class A Foam in Manual Structural Fire Fighting	N
1915	Standard for Fire Apparatus Preventative Maintenance Program	N

P = Partial revision; W = Withdrawal; R = Reconfirmation; N = New; C = Complete Revision.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 070799E]

Reporting Requirements for Commercial Fisheries Under Section 118 of the Marine Mammal Protection Act

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, 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 September 13, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and

Constitution Avenue NW, Washington DC 20230 (or via Internet at LEngelme@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Vicki Cornish, Office of Protected Resources (F/PR2), Room 13700, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910, 301-713-2322, ext. 125.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Marine Mammal Protection Act prohibits the taking of marine mammals except under permit or exemption. Section 118 of the Act authorizes an exemption for commercial fisheries provided that fishermen register and report all mortalities and serious injuries of marine mammals. NOAA will submit to OMB a request for renewal of approval for the reporting requirements. The information collected is required by statute and is needed by NOAA to determine the impacts of commercial fishing activities on marine mammal populations.

II. Method of Collection

Respondents must submit a standard postage-paid form reporting mortalities or serious injuries within 48 hours after the end of the fishing trip.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648-0292
Form Number: None

Type of Review: Regular submission

Affected public: Business and other for-profit, individuals

Estimated Number of Respondents: 10,000

Estimated Time Per Response: 9 minutes

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,500

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$0

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) whether the proposed 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 estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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