

NFPA No.	Title	Proposal closing date
NFPA 285-1998	Evaluation of Flammability Characteristics of Exterior Non-Load Bearing Wall Assemblies Containing Combustible Components Using the Intermediate-Scale Multistory Test Apparatus.	12/28/2001
NFPA 288-P*	Fire Tests of Floor Door Assemblies	1/7/2000
NFPA 301-1998	Safety to Life from Fire on Merchant Vessels	1/7/2000
NFPA 306-1997	Control of Gas Hazards on Vessels	1/7/2000
NFPA 402-1996	Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Operations	1/7/2000
NFPA 407-1996	Aircraft Fuel Servicing	1/7/2000
NFPA 424-1996	Airport/Community Emergency Planning	1/7/2000
NFPA 432-1997	Organic Peroxide Formulations	1/7/2000
NFPA 471-1997	Responding to Hazardous Materials Incidents	6/30/2000
NFPA 472-1997	Professional Competence of Responders to Hazardous Materials Incidents	6/30/2000
NFPA 473-1997	EMS Personnel Responding to Hazardous Materials Incidents	6/30/2000
NFPA 482-1996	Zirconium	1/7/2000
NFPA 502-1998	Road Tunnels, Bridges, and Other Limited Access Highways	1/7/2000
NFPA 505-1999	Powered Industrial Trucks Including Type Designations, Areas of Use, Conversions, Maintenance, and Operation.	1/5/2001
NFPA 513-1998	Motor Freight Terminals	1/7/2000
NFPA 560-1995	Storage, Handling, and Use of Ethylene Oxide for Sterilization and Fumigation ...	1/7/2000
NFPA 664-1998	Wood Processing and Woodworking Facilities	1/7/2000
NFPA 704-1996	Identification of the Hazards of Materials for Emergency Response	1/7/2000
NFPA 705-1997	Field Flame Test for Textiles and Films	1/5/2001
NFPA 902-1997	Fire Reporting Field Incident Guide	6/30/2000
NFPA 903-1996	Fire Reporting Property Survey Guide	6/30/2000
NFPA 904-1996	Incident Follow-up Report Guide	6/30/2000
NFPA 1041-1996	Fire Service Instructor Professional Qualifications	6/30/2000
NFPA 1051-1995	Wildland Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications	6/30/2000
NFPA 1061-1996	Professional Qualifications for Public Safety Telecommunicator	6/30/2000
NFPA 1081-P*	Industrial Fire Brigade Member Professional Qualifications	1/7/2000
NFPA 1124-1998	Manufacture, Transportation, and Storage of Fireworks and Pyrotechnic Articles	1/7/2000
NFPA 1127-1998	High Power Rocketry	1/7/2000
NFPA 1142-1999	Water Supplies for Suburban and Rural Fire Fighting	1/7/2000
NFPA 1192-1999	Recreational Vehicles	6/30/2000
NFPA 1194-1999	Recreational Vehicle Parks and Campgrounds	6/30/2000
NFPA 1500-1997	Fire Department Occupational Safety and Health Program	6/30/2000
NFPA 1521-1997	Fire Department Safety Officer	6/30/2000
NFPA 1710-P*	Organization and Deployment of Fire Suppression Emergency Medical Operations, and Special Operations Provided to the Public by Career Fire Departments.	1/7/2000
NFPA 1720-P*	Volunteer Fire Service Deployment	1/7/2000
NFPA 1981-1997	Open-Circuit Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus for the Fire Service	6/30/2000
NFPA 1982-1998	Personal Alert Safety Systems (PASS)	6/30/2000
NFPA 1999-1997	Protective Clothing for Emergency medical Operations	1/5/2001
NFPA 2112-P*	Flash Fire Protective Garments for Industrial Personnel	1/7/2000
NFPA 2113-P*	Selection, Care, Use, and Maintenance of Flash Fire Protective Garments	1/7/2000

* 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 Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 121799B]

Marine Mammals

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

ACTION: Issuance of permit amendment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Southwest Fisheries Science Center, Honolulu Laboratory, NMFS, 2570 Dole Street, Honolulu, Hawaii 96822-2396,

has been issued an amendment to scientific research Permit No. 848-1335.

ADDRESSES: The amendment and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following offices:

Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS,

1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289);

Regional Administrator, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 (310/980-4001); and

Protected Species Program Manager, Pacific Islands Area Office, Southwest Region, NMFS, 1601 Kapiolani Boulevard, Suite 1110, Honolulu, HI (808/973-2937).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On August 30, 1999, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (64 FR 47172) that an amendment of Permit No. 848-1335, issued June 10, 1997 (62 FR 32586), had been requested by the above-named organization. The requested amendment has been issued under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR Part 216), the Endangered Species Act (ESA) of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the Regulations Governing the Taking, Importing, and Exporting of Endangered Fish and Wildlife (50 CFR part 222). The amendment authorizes: an increase the number of animals authorized to be taken (*i.e.*, harassed) during pelagic

ecology studies from 30 to 100 seals annually for the duration of the permit, and to: (1) allow retrieval of time-depth recorders (TDRs) from Hawaiian monk seals; (2) provide additional take by instrumentation (including sonic tags) to support continued research into the foraging ecology of Hawaiian monk seals; and (3) allow an additional procedure, isotopic water dilution, to estimate the body composition as an indication of foraging success and condition of study subjects. For this amendment, some of these seals may be taken up to three times: Once to apply a VHF transmitter, a second time to apply a TDR or satellite-linked time-depth recorder (SLTDR), and a third time to retrieve the TDR/SLTDR.

Issuance of this amendment, as required by the ESA, was based on a finding that such permit: (1) Was applied for in good faith; (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species which is the subject of this permit; and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: DECEMBER 27, 1999.

Ann D. Terbush,

*Chief, Permits and Documentation Division,
Office of Protected Resources, National
Marine Fisheries Service.*

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Collection of Information; Proposed Extension of Approval; Comment Request—Follow-Up Activities for Product-Related Injuries

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety
Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Consumer Product Safety Commission requests comments on a proposed extension of approval of a collection of information from persons who have been involved in or have witnessed incidents associated with consumer products. The Commission will consider all comments received in response to this notice before requesting an extension of approval of this collection of information from the Office of Management and Budget.

DATES: The Office of the Secretary must receive comments not later than March 6, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be captioned "Product-Related Injuries"

and mailed to the Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, D.C. 20207, or delivered to that office, Room 502, 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland 20814. Written comments may also be sent to the Office of the Secretary by facsimile at (301) 504-0127 or by e-mail at cpsc-os@cpsc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information about the proposed extension of approval of the collection of information, or to obtain a copy of any of the interview guides or forms used for this collection of information, contact Linda L. Glatz, Office of Planning and Evaluation, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, D.C. 20207; telephone (301) 504-0416, extension 2226; email lglatz@cpsc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

Section 5(a) of the Consumer Product Safety Act, 15 U.S.C. 2054(a), requires the Commission to collect information related to the causes and prevention of death, injury, and illness associated with consumer products. That legislation also requires the Commission to conduct continuing studies and investigations of deaths, injuries, diseases, other health impairments, and economic losses resulting from accidents involving consumer products. The Commission uses this information to support development and improvement of voluntary standards, rulemaking proceedings, information and education campaigns, and administrative and judicial proceedings. These safety efforts are vitally important to help make consumer products safer and to remove unsafe products from the channels of distribution and from consumers' homes.

Persons who have sustained injuries or who have witnessed safety-related incidents associated with consumer products are an important source of safety information. From consumer complaints, newspaper accounts, death certificates, hospital emergency room reports, and other sources, the Commission investigates a limited number of incidents. These investigations may involve face-to-face or telephone interviews with accident victims or witnesses. The Commission also receives information about product-related injuries from persons who provide written information by using forms displayed on the Commission's internet web site or printed in the *Product Safety Review* and other Commission publications.

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approved the collection of information concerning product-related injuries under control number 3041-0029. OMB's most recent extension of approval will expire on May 31, 2000. The Commission now proposes to request an extension of approval with changes of this collection of information. As explained below, the changes consist of a net reduction of 752 burden hours.

B. Estimated Burden

Each year, the Commission staff obtains information about incidents involving consumer products from approximately 8,500 persons. The staff conducts face-to-face interviews at incident sites with approximately 400 persons each year (down from the 700 persons estimated in 1997). On average, an on-site interview takes approximately 5 hours. The staff will also conduct approximately 1,600 in-depth investigations by telephone (down from the 2,200 estimated in 1997). Each in-depth telephone investigation requires approximately 20 minutes. Additionally, the Commission's hotline staff interviews approximately 4000 persons each year about incidents involving selected consumer products (up from 1997's estimate of 160). These interviews take an average of 10 minutes each (up from 1997's estimate of 1.5 minutes each). Each year, the Commission also receives information from about 2,500 persons (up from 1997's estimated 1000) who complete forms requesting information about product-related incidents or injuries. These forms appear on the Commission's internet web site and are printed in the *Product Safety Review* and other Commission publications. The staff estimates that completion of the form takes about 12 minutes.

The Commission staff estimates that this collection of information imposes a total annual hourly burden of 3,700 hours on all respondents: 2,000 hours for face-to-face interviews; 533 hours for in-depth telephone interviews; 500 hours for completion of written forms; and 667 hours for responses to Hotline telephone questionnaires.

The Commission staff estimates the value of the time of respondents to this collection of information at \$13.50 an hour. This is based on the average hourly wage for all workers in the United States reported by the U.S. Bureau of the Census in the 1999 edition of the Statistical Abstract of the United States. At this valuation, the estimated annual cost to the public of this information collection will be about \$50,000.