



CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Safety Standard for Walk-Behind Power Lawn Mowers

[Docket No. CPSC-2012-0058]

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 (“CPSC” or “Commission”) requests comments on a proposed extension of approval of a collection of information relating to testing and recordkeeping requirements in the Safety Standard for Walk-Behind Power Lawn Mowers (16 CFR part 1205), approved previously under OMB Control No. 3041-0091. The Commission will consider all comments received in response to this notice before requesting an extension of this collection of information from the Office of Management and Budget (“OMB”).

DATES: Submit written or electronic comments on the collection of information by **[INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. CPSC-2012-0058, by any of the following methods:

Electronic Submissions: Submit electronic comments to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments. The Commission does not accept comments submitted by electronic mail (e-mail), except through www.regulations.gov. The Commission encourages you to submit electronic comments by using the Federal eRulemaking Portal, as described above.

Written Submissions: Submit written submissions by mail/hand delivery/courier to:
Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Room 820, 4330 East West
Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814; telephone (301) 504-7923.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number
for this notice. All comments received may be posted without change, including any personal
identifiers, contact information, or other personal information provided, to:

<http://www.regulations.gov>. Do not submit confidential business information, trade secret
information, or other sensitive or protected information that you do not want to be available to
the public. If furnished at all, such information should be submitted in writing.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received,
go to: <http://www.regulations.gov>, and insert the docket number CPSC-2012-0058, into the
“Search” box, and follow the prompts.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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MD 20814; (301) 504-7815, or by e-mail to: rsquibb@cpsc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: CPSC seeks to renew the following currently
approved collection of information:

Title: Safety Standard for Walk-Behind Power Lawn Mowers

OMB Number: 3041-0091

Type of Review: Renewal of collection

Frequency of Response: On occasion

Affected Public: Manufacturers and importers of walk-behind power lawn mowers.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 25 manufacturers and importers of walk-behind power lawn mowers have been identified.

Estimated Time per Response: Walk-behind power lawn mowers are manufactured seasonally to meet demand. They are manufactured during an estimated 130 days out of the year. When they are manufactured, firms are required to test and maintain records of those tests. Three hours daily is estimated for testing and recordkeeping per firm totaling 390 hours per firm (3 hours x 130 days). In addition, to produce labels and apply labels on the newly manufactured lawn mowers, one hour daily is estimated for each firm during the production cycle for a total of 130 hours per firm (1 hour x 130 days).

Total Estimated Annual Burden: 9,750 hours on testing and recordkeeping (25 firms x 390 hours) and 3,250 hours for labeling (25 firms x 130 hours) for a total annual burden of 13,000 hours per year.

General Description of Collection: In 1979, the Commission issued the Safety Standard for Walk-Behind Power Lawn Mowers (16 CFR part 1205) to address blade contact injuries. Subpart B of the standard sets forth regulations prescribing requirements for a reasonable testing program to support certificates of compliance with the standard for walk-behind power lawn mowers. 16 CFR part 1205, subpart B.

In addition, section 14(a) of the CPSA (15 U.S.C. 2063(a)) requires manufacturers, importers, and private labelers of a consumer product subject to a consumer product safety standard to issue a certificate stating that the product complies with all applicable consumer product safety standards. Section 14(a) of the CPSA also requires that the certificate of compliance must be based on a test of each product or upon a reasonable testing program. The information collection is necessary because these regulations require manufacturers and

importers to establish and maintain records to demonstrate compliance with the requirements for testing and labeling to support the certification of compliance.

Request for Comments

The Commission solicits written comments from all interested persons about the proposed collection of information. The Commission specifically solicits information relevant to the following topics:

- Whether the collection of information described above is necessary for the proper performance of the Commission's functions, including whether the information would have practical utility;
- Whether the estimated burden of the proposed collection of information is accurate;
- Whether the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected could be enhanced; and
- Whether the burden imposed by the collection of information could be minimized by use of automated, electronic or other technological collection techniques, or other forms of information technology.

Dated: November 20, 2015.

Todd A. Stevenson, Secretary,
Consumer Product Safety Commission.

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