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Semiannual Unified Regulatory Agenda

AGENCY: Social Security Administration.

ACTION: Semiannual regulatory agenda.

SUMMARY: Executive Order 12866 entitled "Regulatory Planning and Review," issued September 30, 1993, and the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 (Pub. L. 96-354) require each Federal agency to publish semiannually a brief description of all regulatory actions then under development or review, expected to be under development or review for the next 12 months, or completed since the previous publication of the agenda. Our last agenda of regulations was published on November 28, 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information about a specific regulatory action, contact the person identified as the agency contact for that action. Comments or inquiries of a general nature should be directed to Martin J. Sussman, Acting Regulations Officer, Social Security Administration, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235; telephone (410) 965-1767.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Social Security Administration (SSA) has responsibility for the old-age, survivors, and disability insurance programs under title II of the Social Security Act (the Act) and the supplemental security income program under title XVI of the Act. We are not a regulatory agency. For the most part, SSA's regulations do not impose burdens on the private sector or on State, local, or tribal governments. Our regulations document the rules under which we make eligibility determinations and set forth both the responsibilities of the Agency towards the public and beneficiary's rights and responsibilities under the programs we administer.

Our regulatory efforts can be placed into one of the following three categories: 1) legislative implementation; 2) program improvements to provide better service to SSA customers; and 3) improvements or clarifications to fulfill commitments made as part of the President's Regulatory Reinvention Initiative.

We continue to seek legislative improvements for the programs we administer. However, because of the complexity of our programs, statutory language is rarely detailed enough to govern the actions of agency adjudicative decisionmakers. Supporting regulations are often required. In some instances, the Congress directs SSA to issue implementing regulations. For other legislative provisions, SSA regulations provide program information to applicants for benefits, current beneficiaries, and their legal counsels.

Providing world-class service to our customers is a principal objective of the Social Security Administration. Our regulatory program supports this overarching Agency goal. One of the areas in which we are working hard to deliver high quality service is our disability determination process. Several of our agenda items support improvements to disability program administration. Also, some of the regulatory items support SSA's Disability Redesign Plan. The Disability Redesign aims to streamline our disability determination process and provide better service to applicants for disability benefits.

SSA's regulatory program supports the President's Reinventing Government (REGO II) initiative to create a Federal Government that works better and costs less. We list three regulations which would carry out REGO II initiatives.

Cycling Payment of Social Security Benefits for future beneficiaries is designed to pay social security benefits on several payment dates each month instead of making all the payments on the same date, as is our current practice.

The current use of one payment date creates a workload spike each month for SSA, for other Federal agencies, and for financial institutions and other businesses which participate in or depend on issuance of social security benefits. Spreading the issuance of payments throughout the month and reducing workload spikes for SSA and others will result in better service to our customers. We expect that our customers will have better access to SSA personnel and services in our field facilities and through use of our national 1-800 teleservice network. Current beneficiaries can expect to continue to receive their benefit payments on the third of each month. The additional payment dates will be assigned to new beneficiaries as their benefit awards are processed.

Two other agenda items support the following REGO II initiatives: Providing "One-Stop" Service for Aliens Applying for Social Security Cards and Reducing Burden Associated With Reporting Wages. The goal of each of these initiatives and the supporting regulations is to streamline service to our customers by improving the efficiency of current processes.

Consistent with the President's Regulatory Reinvention Initiative, we are working diligently to improve our program benefit regulations and to develop partnerships with large segments of the community of stakeholders interested in Social Security programs. Our aim is to clarify or improve over 50 percent of the Code of Federal Regulations pages for which we are responsible. The remainder of our Unified Agenda items are such improvements and clarifications.

The April 1996 regulatory agenda for the Social Security Administration follows.

Dated: March 14, 1996.
 Martin J. Sussman,
Acting SSA Regulations Officer.

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3938	Standards of Conduct for Claimant Representatives (431P)	0960-AD73
3939	Fees for Federal Administration of State Supplementary Payments in the SSI Program; Interest Charging on State Supplementary Payment Funds (376P)	0960-AD75

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3942	Definition of United States Resident; Evidence of Citizenship (515P)	0960-AE05
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3946	Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance and Supplemental Security Income for the Aged, Blind, and Disabled; Representative Payee Reforms (295F)	0960-AD22
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3952	Waiver of Recovery of Overpayments; Notice of Appeal and Waiver Rights and Right to a Pre-Recoupment Oral Hearing Before Denial of Waiver (491F)	0960-AD99
3953	Coverage Provisions of Social Security Independence and Program Improvements Act of 1994 and of the Domestic Employment Reform Act of 1994 (503F)	0960-AE00
3954	When You Are a Full-Time Elementary or Secondary School Student (552F)	0960-AE21
3955	Income Exclusions in the SSI Program (502F)	0960-AE22
3956	Authority To Impose Civil Money Penalties (532F)	0960-AE23
3957	Cycling Payment of Social Security Benefits (558F)	0960-AE31
3958	Elimination of Rounding Distortion in the Calculation of the Contribution and Benefit Base and Earnings Test Exempt Amounts (512F)	0960-AE40

Long-Term Actions

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3959	Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance Program; Medical Criteria for Evaluating Mental Disorders for Adults (222F)	0960-AC74
3960	Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance and Supplemental Security Income for the Aged, Blind, and Disabled; Fees for Representation of Claimants (296P)	0960-AD23
3961	Code of Conduct for Administrative Law Judges and Administrative Appeals Judges of the Social Security Administration (341P)	0960-AD54
3962	Election of Benefits Based on Age by Disabled Widow, Widower, and Surviving Divorced Spouse Beneficiaries (343P)	0960-AD56
3963	Reliable Information Which Is Currently Available for Determining Benefit Amounts in the Supplemental Security Income Program (382F)	0960-AD65
3964	Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance Program; Revised Medical Criteria for Determination of Disability; Hemic and Lymphatic System, and Malignant Neoplastic Diseases (399P)	0960-AD67
3965	Reliable Information Which Is Currently Available for Determining Benefit Amounts in the Supplemental Security Income Program (NEWMAN) (434P)	0960-AD77
3966	Revised Medical Criteria for Determination of Disability, Endocrine System and Obesity and Related Criteria (436P)	0960-AD78

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Long-Term Actions (Continued)

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3967	Temporary Increase in Sponsorship Period for Aliens Under the SSI Program (457P)	0960-AD84
3968	Prevention of Adverse Effects on Eligibility and Benefit Amount When Spouse or Parent Absent Due to Active Military Service (462P)	0960-AD86
3969	Federal Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance and Supplemental Security Income, Acceptable Medical Sources (469P)	0960-AD91
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3971	Computation of SSI Benefits for the First Three Months of Payment (476P)	0960-AD93
3972	Definition of "Largest Benefit Amount" for Purposes of Determining the Earnings Record on Which a Person Who Is Simultaneously Entitled to Child's Insurance Benefits (481P)	0960-AD95
3973	Federal OASDI and SSI for the Aged, Blind, and Disabled; Benefit Reforms for Individuals Disabled Based on Drug Addiction or Alcoholism (496F)	0960-AD96
3974	SSI Eligibility for Students Temporarily Abroad (505P)	0960-AE01
3975	Repeal of Facility of Payment Provision (508F)	0960-AE02
3976	Guaranteed Family Maximums (510F)	0960-AE03
3977	Supplemental Security Income for the Aged, Blind, and Disabled; Income and Resources, Deeming of Parental Income and Resources When Children Are Hospitalized (522P)	0960-AE08
3978	Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance; Overpayment Debt Collection Procedures (523P)	0960-AE09
3979	Determinations and Administrative Review Process—Applicability of Administrative Res Judicata (526P)	0960-AE11
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3982	OASDI; Nonpayment of Benefits to Incarcerated Individuals and Individuals Confined in Criminal Cases, Pursuant to Conviction or by Court Order Based on Findings of Insanity (531P)	0960-AE16
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3984	Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance Benefits; Replacing Social Security Number Cards (543F)	0960-AE18
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3987	Requirements for Awards and Subawards to Institutions of Higher Education; Certain Grants and Agreements with States, Local, and Indian Tribal Governments (547F)	0960-AE25
3988	Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement) and Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants) (554F)	0960-AE27
3989	Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments and Indian Tribal Governments (555F)	0960-AE28
3990	Restrictions on Lobbying in Connection With the Award of Grants, Contracts, and Cooperative Agreements (556F)	0960-AE29
3991	Status of Legally Adopted Child (557P)	0960-AE30
3992	Privacy and Disclosure of Official Records and Information (566F)	0960-AE34
3993	Reduction of Disability Benefits—Workers' Compensation/Public Disability Benefits (567P)	0960-AE35
3994	Provide "One-Stop" Service for Aliens Applying for Social Security Cards (569P)	0960-AE36

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3995	Supplemental Security Income Program; Continuation of Full Benefit Standard for Certain Persons Temporarily Institutionalized (198F)	0960-AC55
3996	Supplemental Security Income for the Aged, Blind, and Disabled; Exclusion From Income and Resources of Victims' Compensation Payments and State Relocation Assistance (311F)	0960-AD36
3997	Extension of Time Period for Not Counting as Resources, Funds Received for Repair or Replacement of Damaged or Destroyed Excluded Resources in the SSI Program (486F)	0960-AD87
3998	Federal OASDI and SSI for the Aged, Blind, and Disabled; Signature Requirements for State Agency Medical and Psychological Consultants in Disability Determinations (465F)	0960-AD88
3999	Government Pension Offset, Windfall Elimination Provision, and Annual Earnings Report (514F)	0960-AE04
4000	Assigning SSNs to Undocumented Aliens Who Are Representative Payees or SSI Deemors (549P)	0960-AE26
4001	Revision of Authority Citations (562F)	0960-AE32
4002	Social Security Programs: Fraud and Abuse; Establishment of New Part 498 To Address Civil Money Penalties, Assessment and Exclusions (563F)	0960-AE33
4003	Promote One-Stop Benefit Application (572P)	0960-AE38

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Completed Actions (Continued)

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identifier Number
4004	Determining Disability and Blindness; Extension of Expiration Dates for Hemic and Lymphatic System, Childhood Mental Disorders, and Malignant Neoplastic Diseases Listing (573F)	0960-AE39

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION (SSA)

Proposed Rule Stage

3938. STANDARDS OF CONDUCT FOR CLAIMANT REPRESENTATIVES (431P)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 405(a); 42 USC 406; 42 USC 902(a)(5); 42 USC 1383(d)(1); 42 USC 1383(d)(2)

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 404.1700ff; 20 CFR 416.1500ff

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: We proposed to amend our regulations to establish standards of conduct and responsibility for persons serving as representatives of claimants seeking a right or benefit under titles II or XVI of the Social Security Act. These regulations are part of SSA's Disability Redesign.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	05/00/96	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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RIN: 0960-AD73

3939. FEES FOR FEDERAL ADMINISTRATION OF STATE SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS IN THE SSI PROGRAM; INTEREST CHARGING ON STATE SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENT FUNDS (376P)

Priority: Other

Legal Authority: 42 USC 1302; 42 USC 1382(e); 42 USC 1383; PL 93-66, sec 212; PL 101-453; PL 102-589

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 416.2010; 20 CFR 416.2090

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Section 13731 of Pub. L. 103-66 (the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993) enacted August 10, 1993, requires the Commissioner to assess each State an administration fee for processing the State's mandatory and optional supplementary payments. The fee will be charged for all State supplementary payments issued on or after October 1, 1993. Also, the Commissioner may charge a State an additional services fee if, at the request of the State, the Commissioner provides services beyond the level customarily provided in the administration of such payments. The Cash Management Improvement Act, Pub. L. 101-453 as amended by Pub. L. 102-589, sets forth rules regarding the transfer of funds from States to SSA for use in making supplementary payments and authorizes the imposition of an interest liability on either the States or SSA under certain circumstances. These proposed rules will reflect these statutory provisions.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	06/00/96	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: State

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RIN: 0960-AD75

3940. BENEFITS FOR SPOUSES, DIVORCED SPOUSES, AND CHILDREN (455P)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 402; 42 USC 403(a); 42 USC 403(b); 42 USC 405(a); 42 USC 416; 42 USC 423; 42 USC 428(a); 42 USC 428(b); 42 USC 428(c); 42 USC 428(d); 42 USC 428(e); 42 USC 902(a)(5)

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 404.331; 20 CFR 404.332; 20 CFR 404.341; 20 CFR 404.357; 20 CFR 404.361; 20 CFR 404.366

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This regulation will make technical changes to several sections. Most of the changes correct problems with wording which occurred during the 1980 recodification.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/00/96	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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RIN: 0960-AD83

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Proposed Rule Stage

3941. FEDERAL OASDI AND SSI FOR THE AGED, BLIND, AND DISABLED; REPRESENTATIVE PAYMENT PROVISIONS FOR INDIVIDUALS DISABLED BASED ON DRUG ADDICTION OR ALCOHOLISM (507P)**Priority:** Other Significant**Reinventing Government:** This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.**Legal Authority:** PL 103-296, sec 201; 42 USC 405; 42 USC 1302; 42 USC 1383**CFR Citation:** 20 CFR 404.2001; 20 CFR 404.2010; 20 CFR 404.2021; 20 CFR 404.2040; 20 CFR 404.2040a; 20 CFR 404.2053; 20 CFR 416.621; 20 CFR 416.640; 20 CFR 416.640a; 20 CFR 416.655**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** We propose to revise our regulations to extend the representative payee requirement, which now applies only to recipients of supplemental security income (SSI) benefit payments, to Social Security disability insurance (DI) beneficiaries whose drug addiction or alcoholism is material to a finding of disability.**Statement of Need:** These regulations are needed to implement the representative payment requirements of the Social Security Independence and Program Improvements Act of 1994.**Summary of the Legal Basis:** Section 2 of P.L. 103-296 extends the representative payee requirement, which now applies only to supplemental security income recipients, to Social Security disability insurance beneficiaries.**Alternatives:** None**Anticipated Costs and Benefits:** Effective stewardship of SSA programs requires mechanisms to assure that benefits are used to meet the needs of beneficiaries who are not able to manage their own benefits due to legal incompetence or medical infirmity. As part of the Social Security Improvements Act of 1994 Congress determined that individuals who

receive social security disability insurance benefits whose drug addiction or alcoholism is material to the finding of disability must have representative payees. Preliminary estimates are that these regulations will have no effect on SSA program costs. Any administrative costs are part of legislative implementation and further our program integrity efforts.

Risks: Since basically all these regulations do is implement the statute, we see no risks associated with them.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	10/00/96	
Final Action	06/00/97	

Small Entities Affected: Governmental Jurisdictions, Organizations**Government Levels Affected:** State**Agency Contact:** Harry J. Short, Legal Assistant, Social Security Administration, Division of Regulations and Rulings, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235
Phone: 410 965-6243**RIN:** 0960-AD98**3942. DEFINITION OF UNITED STATES RESIDENT; EVIDENCE OF CITIZENSHIP (515P)****Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Reinventing Government:** This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.**Legal Authority:** 42 USC 902(a)(5); 42 USC 1381a; 42 USC 1382; 42 USC 1382(f); 42 USC 1382c(f); 42 USC 1382j; 42 USC 1383**CFR Citation:** 20 CFR 416.1180; 20 CFR 416.1603; 20 CFR 416.1610**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** These proposed regulations will define more precisely the concept of "living within the geographical limits of the United States." The others will state the requirements for religious records as proof of U.S. citizenship. We propose also to amend section 416.1180, because there is an obvious error in the wording.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	04/00/96	

Small Entities Affected: None**Government Levels Affected:** None**Agency Contact:** Lois Berg, Legal Assistant, Social Security Administration, Division of Regulations and Rulings, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235
Phone: 410 965-1713**RIN:** 0960-AE05**3943. • HEARING PROCEDURES FOR CIVIL MONETARY PENALTY CASES (579P)****Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Legal Authority:** 42 USC 405(a); 42 USC 405(b); 42 USC 1320a-8; 42 USC 1320b-10; 42 USC 902(a)(5)**CFR Citation:** 20 CFR 498.200 to 498.223**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** These proposed regulations add new rules that would establish hearing procedures for the Social Security Administration's civil monetary penalty cases. These rules will implement the provisions of section 1129 and section 1140 of the Social Security Act which require an opportunity to be heard on the record before a determination, to impose penalties or assessments, or to recommend an exclusion of a physician or medical provider from the Medicare program, becomes final.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	04/00/96	

Small Entities Affected: None**Government Levels Affected:** None**Agency Contact:** Henry D. Lerner, Legal Assistant, Social Security Administration, Division of Regulations and Rulings, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235
Phone: 410 965-1762**RIN:** 0960-AE41

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION (SSA)

Final Rule Stage

3944. OLD-AGE, SURVIVORS, AND DISABILITY INSURANCE PROGRAM; REVISED MEDICAL CRITERIA FOR DETERMINATION OF DISABILITY; MUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM (143F)**Priority:** Other Significant**Reinventing Government:** This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.**Legal Authority:** 42 USC 902(a)(5); 42 USC 405; 42 USC 1383**CFR Citation:** 20 CFR 404.1500, app 1**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** Sections 1.00 and 101.00 of appendix 1 to the disability regulations at 20 CFR 404.1501 through 404.1599 describe those musculoskeletal impairments which are considered severe enough to prevent a person from doing any gainful activity or age-appropriate activities. Comprehensive revisions to these sections are proposed to ensure that the medical evaluation criteria are up to date and consistent with the latest advances in medicine. The SSI program incorporates by reference and uses the same medical criteria as the old-age, survivors, and disability insurance program.**Statement of Need:** These regulations are necessary to update the musculoskeletal listing to reflect advances in medical knowledge, treatment, and methods of evaluating musculoskeletal impairments.**Summary of the Legal Basis:** Administrative--not required by statute or court order.**Alternatives:** None--Medical advances require that this listing be updated.**Anticipated Costs and Benefits:** These final regulations will have negligible program and administrative cost impact because, despite changes in terminology and emphasis, the proposed musculoskeletal system listings describe a level of severity comparable to the level of severity contained in the current listings.**Risks:** Since all this regulation will do is update the medical listing, we see no risks associated with these changes.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/21/93	58 FR 67574

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM Comment	02/22/94	
Period End		
Final Action	09/00/96	

Small Entities Affected: None**Government Levels Affected:** None**Agency Contact:** Richard M. Bresnick, Legal Assistant, Social Security Administration, Division of Regulations and Rulings, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235
Phone: 410 965-1758**RIN:** 0960-AB01**3945. OLD-AGE, SURVIVORS, AND DISABILITY INSURANCE AND SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME PROGRAMS, DETERMINING DISABILITY AND BLINDNESS; SUBSTANTIAL GAINFUL ACTIVITY GUIDES (147F)****Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Reinventing Government:** This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.**Legal Authority:** PL 98-460, sec 10; PL 99-643; PL 100-203; PL 101-508**CFR Citation:** 20 CFR 404; 20 CFR 416**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** These final regulations will clarify how the Social Security Administration evaluates a person's work activity to determine whether work is substantial gainful activity and whether an individual is entitled to a trial work period. These regulations also reflect statutory changes with respect to the trial work period and the re-entitlement period.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	03/06/95	60 FR 12166
NPRM Comment	05/15/95	
Period End		
Final Action	09/00/96	

Small Entities Affected: None**Government Levels Affected:** None**Agency Contact:** Sandy Bond, Legal Assistant, Social Security Administration, Division of Regulations and Rulings, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235
Phone: 410 965-1794**RIN:** 0960-AB73**3946. OLD-AGE, SURVIVORS, AND DISABILITY INSURANCE AND SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME FOR THE AGED, BLIND, AND DISABLED; REPRESENTATIVE PAYEE REFORMS (295F)****Priority:** Other Significant**Reinventing Government:** This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.**Legal Authority:** PL 101-508, sec 5105**CFR Citation:** 20 CFR 404.902; 20 CFR 404.2001; 20 CFR 404.2011; 20 CFR 404.2022; 20 CFR 404.2024; 20 CFR 404.2025; 20 CFR 404.2030; 20 CFR 404.2041; 20 CFR 404.2050; 20 CFR 416.601; 20 CFR 416.611; 20 CFR 416.622; 20 CFR 416.624; 20 CFR 416.625; 20 CFR 416.630; ...**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** Effective stewardship at SSA programs requires mechanisms to assure that benefits are used to meet the needs of beneficiaries who are not able to manage their own benefits due to legal incompetence or medical infirmity. Congress determined that improvements to the representative payment procedures were needed to assure program integrity as part of P.L. 101-508. Any costs associated with these regulations are reflected in the President's budget as part of legislative implementation. They are required to further our program integrity efforts.**Statement of Need:** These regulations, which reflect certain provisions of PL 101-508, modify existing representative payee procedures by requiring the Social Security Administration to do a more extensive investigation of representative payee applicants; generally limiting to 1 month the deferral or suspension of direct payment of benefits pending selection of a payee; providing stricter standards in determining the fitness of representative payee applicants to manage benefit payments on behalf of beneficiaries; requiring SSA to repay to the beneficiary or an alternate payee, an amount equal to any misused funds resulting from SSA's negligent failure to investigate or monitor a representative payee; and requiring SSA to compile and maintain a centralized file of certain beneficiary and payee information.

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These regulations are needed to reflect certain provisions of PL 101-508 (OBRA '90). Sections 205(a), 1102, and 1631(d) of the Act give the Commissioners broad power to make rules and carry out these provisions.

Summary of the Legal Basis: These regulations implement section 5105 of Public Law 101-508.

Alternatives: None

Anticipated Costs and Benefits: Effective stewardship of SSA programs requires mechanisms to assure that benefits are used to meet the needs of beneficiaries who are not able to manage their own benefits due to legal incompetence or medical infirmity. Congress determined that improvements to the representative payment procedures were needed to assure program integrity as part of P.L. 101-508. Any costs associated with these regulations are reflected in the President's budget as part of legislative implementation. They are required to further our program integrity efforts.

Risks: Since basically all these regulations do is implement the statute, we see no risks associated with these regulations.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	03/15/94	59 FR 11949
NPRM Comment Period End	05/16/94	
Final Action	09/00/96	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AD22

3947. SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME FOR THE AGED, BLIND, AND DISABLED; PAYMENT FOR VR SERVICES FURNISHED INDIVIDUALS DURING CERTAIN MONTHS OF NONPAYMENT OF SSI BENEFITS (315F)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or

duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: PL 101-508, Sec 5037

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 404.2113; 20 CFR 404.2115; 20 CFR 404.2116; 20 CFR 416.2201; 20 CFR 416.2203; 20 CFR 416.2209; 20 CFR 416.2212; 20 CFR 416.2213; 20 CFR 416.2215; 20 CFR 416.2216; 20 CFR 416.2217

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: These regulations reflect section 5037 of Pub. L. 101-508, which amends section 1615 of the Act, to provide for reimbursement for VR services furnished during certain months of nonpayment of Supplemental Security Income benefits. Prior to these amendments there was no provision in the law for such reimbursement.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	09/11/95	60 FR 47126
NPRM Comment Period End	11/13/95	
Final Action	09/00/96	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AD39

3948. STATEMENT OF EARNINGS AND BENEFIT ESTIMATE (415F)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 405; 42 USC 1302; 42 USC 1320b-13

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 404.811; 20 CFR 404.812 (New); 20 CFR 422.125

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Section 1143(c) of the Social Security Act requires that by not later than September 30, 1995, we must furnish a social security account statement to each eligible individual who has attained age 60 by October 1, 1994, is not receiving social security

benefits, and for whom we can determine a current mailing address. During fiscal years 1995 through 1999, we must furnish such a statement to eligible individuals attaining age 60. Similarly, beginning no later than October 1, 1999, we must provide such a statement annually to eligible individuals age 25 or over. In these regulations, we provide who will be sent a statement, who will not be sent a statement, how we will determine addresses, and the contents of the statements. We have not yet compiled all the costs. These regulations will benefit the public by implementing section 1143(c) which will help individuals verify that we have entered their correct earnings into our records and by showing the benefits to which such individuals may become entitled.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	01/19/95	60 FR 3787
NPRM Comment Period End	03/20/95	
Final Action	05/00/96	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AD74

3949. VALUATION OF CERTAIN IN-KIND SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE (ISM) WHERE THERE IS A COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENT IN SSI BENEFITS (454F)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: PL 103-66, sec 13735

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 416.420; 20 CFR 416.1130(a)

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This final regulation will reflect the amendment to section 1611(c) of the Act, effective January 1, 1995, that the current Federal benefit rate be used in determining the value of certain in-kind support and

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maintenance for the first 2 months in which a cost-of-living adjustment in SSI benefits applies.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/09/95	60 FR 40542
NPRM Comment Period End	10/10/95	
Final Action	09/00/96	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AD82

3950. TECHNICAL CHANGES TO TITLE XVI (466F)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 1382; 42 USC 1382a; 42 USC 1382b; 42 USC 1382j

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 416.1236; 20 CFR 416 app

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: We are amending the supplemental security income regulations by making technical changes to update the appendix at the end of subpart K which lists exclusions from income in statutes other than the Social Security Act and to update the lists of statutory exclusions from resources contained in subpart L.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	08/00/96	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AD89

3951. SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME FOR THE AGED, BLIND, OR DISABLED; EVIDENCE OF LAWFUL ADMISSION FOR PERMANENT RESIDENCE IN THE UNITED STATES (468F)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 902(a)(5); 42 USC 1382c(a)(1)(B); 42 USC 1382c(e); 42 USC 1383

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 416.1615

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: On September 20, 1993, the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) published a regulatory change concerning the documents which certify the alien status of a lawful permanent resident within the United States. The change which establishes INS Form I-551, Alien Registration Receipt Card, as the definitive evidence of lawful permanent resident status was to be effective September 20, 1994. Since aliens who apply for SSI benefits as lawful permanent residents must submit evidence of this status, we are revising the title XVI regulations to reflect the change in the INS regulations. INS delayed the effective date of its regulation until March 1996.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/30/95	60 FR 45110
NPRM Comment Period End	10/30/95	
Final Action	04/00/96	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AD90

3952. WAIVER OF RECOVERY OF OVERPAYMENTS; NOTICE OF APPEAL AND WAIVER RIGHTS AND RIGHT TO A PRE-RECOUPMENT ORAL HEARING BEFORE DENIAL OF WAIVER (491F)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 404(a) to 404(d); 42 USC 405(a); 42 USC 1302; 42 USC 402(i); 42 USC 402(j); 42 USC 402(o); 42 USC 402(p); 42 USC 402(v); 42 USC 416(i)(2); 42 USC 423(b); 42 USC 428(a)

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 404.502a; 20 CFR 404.506; 20 CFR 404.907; 20 CFR 404.930; 20 CFR 410.561; 20 CFR 410.561a; 20 CFR 410.623; 20 CFR 410.630

Legal Deadline: NPRM, Judicial, October 13, 1995. Final, Judicial, April 13, 1997.

Abstract: In these proposed regulations we state procedures resulting from the 1974 court decision in *Buffington, et al. v. Weinberger*, No 734-73C2 (W.D. Wash. October 22, 1974), and the Supreme Court decision in *Califano v. Yamasaki*, 442 U.S. 682 (1979). The effects are to publish in regulations pursuant to the court order the rights of overpaid individuals to certain procedures currently afforded individuals under court oversight.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	06/02/95	60 FR 28767
NPRM Comment Period End	08/01/95	
Final Action	06/00/96	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AD99

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3953. COVERAGE PROVISIONS OF SOCIAL SECURITY INDEPENDENCE AND PROGRAM IMPROVEMENTS ACT OF 1994 AND OF THE DOMESTIC EMPLOYMENT REFORM ACT OF 1994 (503F)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 402(v); 42 USC 405(a); 42 USC 409; 42 USC 410; 42 USC 411; 42 USC 418; 42 USC 429(a); 42 USC 430; 42 USC 431; 42 USC 902(a)(5)

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 404.1004; 20 CFR 404.1012; 20 CFR 404.1018; 20 CFR 404.1018b; 20 CFR 404.1020; 20 CFR 404.1034; 20 CFR 404.1036; 20 CFR 404.1042; 20 CFR 404.1055; 20 CFR 404.1056; 20 CFR 404.1057; 20 CFR 404.1068; 20 CFR 404.1206; 20 CFR 404.1210; 20 CFR 404.1038 (New); ...

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Pub. L. 103-296, the Social Security Independence and Program Improvements Act of 1994, contains the following coverage provisions (along with numerous other provisions) in a section called Miscellaneous Program Improvements: Sec. 303. Expansion of State option to exclude service of election officials or election workers from coverage. Sec. 305. Authorization for all States to extend coverage to State and local police officers and firefighters under existing coverage agreements. Sec. 319. Coverage under FICA of Federal employees transferred temporarily to international organizations; and Sec. 320. Extension of the FICA tax exemption and certain tax rules to individuals who enter the United States under a visa issued under section 101 of the Immigration and Nationality Act. In addition, Pub. L. 103-387, the Social Security Domestic Employment Reform Act of 1994, made several changes with respect to the coverage of domestic services. Final rules will be published to reflect these two statutes.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	07/00/96	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AE00

3954. WHEN YOU ARE A FULL-TIME ELEMENTARY OR SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENT (552F)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 402; 42 USC 403; 42 USC 405(a); 42 USC 416; 42 USC 423; 42 USC 428; 42 USC 902(a)(5)

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 404.350; 20 CFR 404.351; 20 CFR 404.352; 20 CFR 404.353; 20 CFR 404.367; 20 CFR 404.369

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: These final regulations revise our rules on full-time elementary or secondary school students to include students enrolled in home schooling or independent study programs authorized by State or local law, e.g., political subdivision, tribal government, or the District of Columbia. Prior rules covered only students in traditional institutional educational settings; however, many States (or other jurisdictions) provide for home schooling and independent study programs considered equivalent to traditional schools. These rules will show that nonpayment provisions apply to certain prisoners and certain other inmates of publicly funded institutions who otherwise would meet student benefit requirements. In addition, we have removed outdated rules on student benefits relating to months before August 1982.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/07/95	60 FR 62783
NPRM Comment Period End	02/05/96	
Final Action	04/00/96	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AE21

3955. INCOME EXCLUSIONS IN THE SSI PROGRAM (502F)

Priority: Other

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 902(a)(5); 42 USC 1383

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 416.1124; 20 CFR 416.1161

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: These final supplemental security income (SSI) regulations update existing regulations to reflect the statutory amendment of the exclusion from income of Alaska Longevity Bonus payments. They also update existing regulations to reflect the statutory exclusion from income of hostile fire pay received by an SSI claimant or recipient and to reflect current operating procedure of excluding hostile fire pay when determining the countable income of an ineligible spouse or ineligible parent. In addition, they update existing regulations to reflect the current operating procedure of excluding impairment-related work expenses, and interest on an appreciation in the value of excluded burial funds and interest on excluded burial space purchase agreements, when determining the countable income of an ineligible spouse or ineligible parent.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/06/95	60 FR 62356
NPRM Comment Period End	02/05/96	
Final Action	09/00/96	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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3956. AUTHORITY TO IMPOSE CIVIL MONEY PENALTIES (532F)**Priority:** Other**Legal Authority:** 42 USC 902(a)(5); 42 USC 1320a; 42 USC 1320b**CFR Citation:** 20 CFR 498.100 to 498.104; 20 CFR 498.106; 20 CFR 498.108 to 498.110; 20 CFR 498.127 to 498.129; 20 CFR 498.132**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** These final regulations add new rules that establish the authority to impose civil money penalties against third parties, medical professionals, Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance (OASDI) beneficiaries, supplemental security income (SSI) recipients and other individuals and entities who engage in fraudulent schemes to enroll ineligible individuals in the OASDI and SSI programs.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/27/95	60 FR 58305
NPRM Comment Period End	01/26/96	
Final Action	06/00/96	

Small Entities Affected: None**Government Levels Affected:** None**Agency Contact:** Henry D. Lerner, Legal Assistant, Social Security Administration, Division of Regulations and Rulings, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235
Phone: 410 965-1762**RIN:** 0960-AE23**3957. CYCLING PAYMENT OF SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS (558F)****Priority:** Economically Significant**Reinventing Government:** This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.**Legal Authority:** 42 USC 405(a); 42 USC 407; 42 USC 902(a)(5); 42 USC 401(j); 42 USC 405(b); 42 USC 405(d) to 405(h); 42 USC 421(d); 42 USC 405(i); 42 USC 909**CFR Citation:** 20 CFR 404.1805; 20 CFR 404.903**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** This Reinventing Government initiative will result in staggered payment to new beneficiaries over a number of payment dates throughout the month to eliminate workload spikes and allow the Social Security Administration to provide better customer service without adding staff. Current beneficiaries and all Supplemental Security Income recipients will be unaffected by these regulatory changes.**Statement of Need:** This regulation is necessary to implement a Reinventing Government initiative.**Summary of the Legal Basis:** These changes are not required by statute or court order.**Alternatives:** None**Anticipated Costs and Benefits:**

Payment cycling is proposed as both an immediate and long-term strategy to help the Agency improve service and better manage its resources. By leveling workloads, it will allow the public better access to SSA's field office and toll-free 800 number services. While the proposed change in payment patterns may result in some incidental savings from management and operational efficiencies, cycling is not expected to produce significant workyear savings. Cycling will benefit the business and banking communities in that they will be better able to utilize their resources throughout the month to serve their customers. Cycling will reduce the risk to the Federal government, the financial community, and to beneficiaries by reducing the volume of financial transactions passing through the payment system at any one time in the month.

Risks: This change in payment cycling, which will affect new beneficiaries who file claims, should pose no risks to our claimant population.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	01/26/96	61 FR 2654
NPRM Comment Period End	03/26/96	
Final Action	07/00/96	

Small Entities Affected: Businesses**Government Levels Affected:** Federal**Agency Contact:** Lois Berg, Legal Assistant, Social Security Administration, Division of Regulations and Rulings, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235
Phone: 410 965-1713**RIN:** 0960-AE31**3958. • ELIMINATION OF ROUNDING DISTORTION IN THE CALCULATION OF THE CONTRIBUTION AND BENEFIT BASE AND EARNINGS TEST EXEMPT AMOUNTS (512F)****Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Legal Authority:** 42 USC 405; 42 USC 1302; 42 USC 1383**CFR Citation:** 20 CFR 404.211(c); 20 CFR 404.430(c); 20 CFR 404.1047 to 1048; 20 CFR 404, subpart C, app 1; 20 CFR 404.403(d); 20 CFR 404.408ff; 20 CFR 404.1048(c); 20 CFR 404.1918(b)**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** Section 321(g) of Pub. L. 103-296 designates 1994 as the base year to be used in calculating increases in the OASDI contribution and benefit base and earnings test exempt amounts for all years after 1994. (Increases in these amounts will no longer be based on the rounded amounts applicable in the previous year, which can distort the base and exempt amounts over time.) The provision is effective for the contribution and benefit base beginning in 1995 and for earnings test exempt amounts for taxable years ending after 1994.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	10/00/96	

Small Entities Affected: None**Government Levels Affected:** None**Agency Contact:** Lawrence V. Dudar, Legal Assistant, Social Security Administration, Division of Regulations and Rulings, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235
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3959. OLD-AGE, SURVIVORS, AND DISABILITY INSURANCE PROGRAM; MEDICAL CRITERIA FOR EVALUATING MENTAL DISORDERS FOR ADULTS (222F)**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Reinventing Government:** This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.**Legal Authority:** 42 USC 405; 42 USC 1382c**CFR Citation:** 20 CFR 404.1500, app 1; 20 CFR 404.1520a; 20 CFR 404.1528; 20 CFR 416.920a; 20 CFR 416.928**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** These amendments revise the medical evaluation criteria for mental disorders for the Social Security and Supplemental Security Income disability programs. The revisions will reflect advances in medical treatment and in methods of evaluating certain mental impairments and will provide up-to-date medical criteria for use in the evaluation of disability claims based on mental disorders.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	07/18/91	56 FR 33130
NPRM Comment Period End	09/18/91	
Final Action	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None**Government Levels Affected:** None**Agency Contact:** Richard M. Bresnick, Legal Assistant, Social Security Administration, Division of Regulations and Rulings, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235
Phone: 410 965-1758**RIN:** 0960-AC74**3960. OLD-AGE, SURVIVORS, AND DISABILITY INSURANCE AND SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME FOR THE AGED, BLIND, AND DISABLED; FEES FOR REPRESENTATION OF CLAIMANTS (296P)****Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Reinventing Government:** This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.**Legal Authority:** PL 101-508, Sec 5106**CFR Citation:** 20 CFR 404.1703; 20 CFR 404.1713; 20 CFR 404.1720; 20 CFR 404.1715 to 404.1717; 20 CFR 404.1725; 20 CFR 416.1503; 20 CFR 416.1513; 20 CFR 416.1520; 20 CFR 416.1515 to 416.1517; 20 CFR 416.1525**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** We propose to amend the regulations to reflect section 5106(a) of Pub. L. 101-508 which modifies the manner in which past-due benefits are calculated and the process by which SSA approves fees charged by persons representing claimants before the Agency.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None**Government Levels Affected:** None**Agency Contact:** Lawrence V. Dudar, Legal Assistant, Social Security Administration, Division of Regulations and Rulings, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235
Phone: 410 965-1759**RIN:** 0960-AD23**3961. CODE OF CONDUCT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES AND ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS JUDGES OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION (341P)****Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Reinventing Government:** This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.**Legal Authority:** EO 12674 as modified by EO 12731;; 42 USC 405**CFR Citation:** 20 CFR 422.215**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** These regulations would establish a Code of Conduct for OHA Administrative Law Judges and Administrative Appeals Judges.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None**Government Levels Affected:** None**Agency Contact:** Sandy Bond, Legal Assistant, Division of Regulations andRulings, Social Security Administration, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235
Phone: 410 965-1794**RIN:** 0960-AD54**3962. ELECTION OF BENEFITS BASED ON AGE BY DISABLED WIDOW, WIDOWER, AND SURVIVING DIVORCED SPOUSE BENEFICIARIES (343P)****Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Reinventing Government:** This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.**Legal Authority:** 42 USC 405**CFR Citation:** 20 CFR 404.335; 20 CFR 404.336; 20 CFR 404.337**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** We propose to amend our regulations to permit the election of benefits based on age by widows, widowers and surviving divorced spouses (hereinafter, collectively widows) who are at least age 60 and who are already entitled to widow's benefits based on disability. This proposal would allow the widow to choose which of the two types of widow's benefits is more advantageous. The estimated increase in benefit payments is less than \$500,000 per year for fiscal years 1992-1995.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None**Government Levels Affected:** None**Agency Contact:** Cassandra A. Bond, Legal Assistant, Division of Regulations and Rulings, Social Security Administration, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235
Phone: 410 965-1794**RIN:** 0960-AD56**3963. RELIABLE INFORMATION WHICH IS CURRENTLY AVAILABLE FOR DETERMINING BENEFIT AMOUNTS IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME PROGRAM (382F)****Priority:** Other**Reinventing Government:** This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing

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Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 1302; 42 USC 1382(a) to 1382(c); 42 USC 1382(e); 42 USC 1382a; 42 USC 1382f; 42 USC 1383

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 416.420

Legal Deadline: NPRM, Judicial, March 16, 1993.

Abstract: Pursuant to the Court order in *Gould, et al. v. Sullivan*, No. C2-87-964 (S.D. Ohio, October 2, 1992), we proposed a rule for determining benefits in the SSI program. Under section 1611(c)(4)(A) of the Social Security Act, if the Secretary determines that reliable information is currently available concerning the income and other circumstances of an individual for a month, the Secretary may use that information to determine an individual's SSI benefit amount for that month. This discretionary method of determining SSI benefit amounts is an exception to the use of information from a prior month, known as retrospective monthly accounting (RMA), as provided in section 1611(c)(1) of the Act. The proposed rule explained that the Secretary has determined that no information exists which is reliable and currently available to use in computing SSI benefit amounts pursuant to section 1611(c)(4).

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	03/16/93	58 FR 14191
NPRM Comment Period End	05/17/93	
Final Action	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AD65

3964. OLD-AGE, SURVIVORS, AND DISABILITY INSURANCE PROGRAM; REVISED MEDICAL CRITERIA FOR DETERMINATION OF DISABILITY; HEMIC AND LYMPHATIC SYSTEM, AND MALIGNANT NEOPLASTIC DISEASES (399P)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 1302; 42 USC 1383; 42 USC 405

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 404.1500, app 1

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Sections 7.00 and 107.00 (hemic and lymphatic system), and 13.00 and 113.00 (malignant neoplastic diseases) of appendix 1 to Subpart P of Part 404 of the Disability Regulations (404.1501 through 404.1599) describe those impairments which are considered severe enough to prevent a person from engaging in any gainful activity, or in the case of a child under age 18, age-appropriate activities. We are proposing revisions to these sections to ensure that the medical evaluation criteria are up-to-date and consistent with the latest advances in medical knowledge and treatment. The Supplemental Security Income program incorporates and uses the same medical criteria as the Old-Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance program.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AD67

3965. RELIABLE INFORMATION WHICH IS CURRENTLY AVAILABLE FOR DETERMINING BENEFIT AMOUNTS IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME PROGRAM (NEWMAN) (434P)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 1302; 42 USC 1382(a) to 1382(c); 42 USC 1383

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 416.420

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Social Security Act (the Act) provides that if the Commissioner of Social Security (the Commissioner) determines that reliable information is currently available concerning the income of an individual, the Commissioner may use that information to determine an individual's current month's supplemental security income (SSI) benefit amount. This method of determining SSI benefit amounts is an exception to the use of income from a prior month, known as retrospective monthly accounting (RMA). The Commissioner has determined that no reliable information exists which is currently available for determining SSI benefit amounts for a current month using any method other than RMA. These rules are applicable only in California pursuant to a court order issued in *Newman v. Shalala*.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AD77

3966. REVISED MEDICAL CRITERIA FOR DETERMINATION OF DISABILITY, ENDOCRINE SYSTEM AND OBESITY AND RELATED CRITERIA (436P)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing

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Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 405; 42 USC 1302; 42 USC 1383

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 404.1500, app 1

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Sections 9.00 and 109.00 of appendix 1 to subpart P of part 404 of the Disability Regulations (404.1501 through 404.1599) describe those impairments which are considered severe enough to prevent a person from engaging in any gainful activity, or in the case of a child under age 18, age-appropriate activities. We are proposing to revise the criteria in these sections to reflect advances in medical knowledge, treatment, and methods of evaluating endocrine impairments. The Supplemental Security Income program incorporates and uses the same medical criteria as the Old-Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance program.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AD78

3967. TEMPORARY INCREASE IN SPONSORSHIP PERIOD FOR ALIENS UNDER THE SSI PROGRAM (457P)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: PL 103-152, sec 7

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 416.1160; 20 CFR 416.1204

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Section 7 of Pub. L. 103-152 amended section 1621 of the Social Security Act to temporarily increase the sponsorship period for aliens under the SSI program from 3 years to 5 years

following the alien's date of lawful admission to the U.S. The increase in the sponsorship period is effective January 1, 1994. Beginning October 1, 1996, the 3-year sponsorship period will be reinstated. We will amend our regulations to conform to the statutory changes. Any costs/savings are associated with the legislation and not with the regulations themselves.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
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Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AD84

3968. PREVENTION OF ADVERSE EFFECTS ON ELIGIBILITY AND BENEFIT AMOUNT WHEN SPOUSE OR PARENT ABSENT DUE TO ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE (462P)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: PL 103-66, sec 13733; 42 USC 902(a)(5)

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 416.1167

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: These proposed regulations reflect the provisions of section 13733 of Pub. L. 103-66 which allows us to consider, absent evidence to the contrary, an ineligible parent or spouse who is absent from a deeming household due solely to an active duty military assignment, to be living in the same household as the eligible individual for deeming purposes. This will prevent possible adverse SSI effects which could otherwise result when a military deemer is absent from the household.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AD86

3969. FEDERAL OLD-AGE, SURVIVORS, AND DISABILITY INSURANCE AND SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME, ACCEPTABLE MEDICAL SOURCES (469P)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 902(a)(5); 42 USC 1383; 42 USC 405

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 404.1513; 20 CFR 416.913

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: We propose to add speech and language pathologists to the list of acceptable medical sources in our current regulations. These sources will assist us in establishing the existence of speech and language impairments. We also propose to make other changes in our regulations to clarify what we mean by an acceptable medical source.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AD91

3970. OLD-AGE, SURVIVORS, AND DISABILITY INSURANCE PROGRAM; CONTRIBUTIONS FOR SUPPORT (475P)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 402(d)(3); 42 USC 416(b)(3); 42 USC 405(a); 42 USC 1302

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 404.366

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Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: To provide more uniformity in our decision making, we are proposing to amend our rules on the contributions for support that must be provided by the insured to certain categories of claimants for child's benefits.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AD92

3971. COMPUTATION OF SSI BENEFITS FOR THE FIRST THREE MONTHS OF PAYMENT (476P)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 1302; 42 USC 1383

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 416.320

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: SSI eligibility and payment are calculated by taking into account income received by the applicant/recipient. Two calculations must be made for each month. The first is the eligibility computation and is based on the current (payment) month's income. The second is the payment computation, which, under retrospective monthly accounting, is based (usually) on the income of a prior month called the budget month. Generally the budget month is 2 months prior to the payment month. The transitional computation for the first 3 months of SSI payment is an exception to the general rule described above. While the eligibility computation continues to apply to the current month's income, the budget month on which each of the first 3 months' payments are based is the first month of eligibility. This policy was

intended to facilitate the transition into 2 month retrospective accounting cycle and to avoid penalizing the recipient for income received prior to initial SSI eligibility. However, the policy also has the effect of counting income which is only received in one month more than one time. In *Jones v. Shalala* the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that SSA's transitional computation for the first 3 months of eligibility is not permissible because it will result in the triple counting of nonrecurring income received only in the first month of eligibility. The proposed policy addresses the triple counting of nonrecurring income.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AD93

3972. DEFINITION OF "LARGEST BENEFIT AMOUNT" FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING THE EARNINGS RECORD ON WHICH A PERSON WHO IS SIMULTANEOUSLY ENTITLED TO CHILD'S INSURANCE BENEFITS (481P)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 402(d); 42 USC 402(k); 42 USC 902(a)(5); 42 USC 405(a)

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 404.304; 20 CFR 404.353b; 20 CFR 404.407d

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Section 202(k)(2)(A) of the Act (42 U.S.C. 402(k)(2)(A)) contains the statutory requirements for determining the earnings record on which SSA will pay a person, who is simultaneously entitled to child's insurance benefits on the earnings records of more than one worker. Generally, the child's benefits will be

paid on the earnings record that yields the highest primary insurance amount (PIA). However, under certain circumstances, the child's benefits will be paid on the earnings record that yields a lower PIA if that record produces the "largest benefit" to which the child could be entitled under section 202(d) without the application of the reduction under the "family maximum" provisions. In implementing section 202(k)(2)(A), SSA has determined the "largest benefit" under section 202(k)(2)(A) by comparing the original benefit amount (i.e., 50 percent of the PIA of a living worker and 75 percent of the PIA of a deceased worker) calculated on the dependent and/or survivor claim of the child on the earnings record of each worker without applying any reductions or deductions. The United States District Court for the Northern District of Alabama in *Agee v. Sullivan* rejected this interpretation and held that SSA must compare the amounts payable to the child under each earnings record after considering all applicable deductions and reductions other than the reduction under the family maximum provisions. Legal support for both interpretations can be found in the statutory language and legislative history of section 202(k)(2)(A). We have found current regulations implementing section 202(k)(2)(A) to be ambiguous. We propose to amend these regulations to reflect the longstanding SSA interpretation, rather than the interpretation adopted by the district court in the *Agee* decision.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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3973. FEDERAL OASDI AND SSI FOR THE AGED, BLIND, AND DISABLED; BENEFIT REFORMS FOR INDIVIDUALS DISABLED BASED ON DRUG ADDICTION OR ALCOHOLISM (496F)**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Reinventing Government:** This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.**Legal Authority:** 42 USC 902(a)(5); 42 USC 1383; 42 USC 405**CFR Citation:** 20 CFR 404.315; 20 CFR 404.316; 20 CFR 404.321; 20 CFR 404.332; 20 CFR 404.335; 20 CFR 404.337; 20 CFR 404.350; 20 CFR 404.352; 20 CFR 404.402; 20 CFR 404.470; 20 CFR 404.480; 20 CFR 404.902; 20 CFR 404.1535; 20 CFR 404.1536; 20 CFR 404.1537; ...**Legal Deadline:** Final, Statutory, February 11, 1995. Section 201 of Public Law 103-296.**Abstract:** The Social Security Independence and Program Improvements Act of 1994 (Public Law 103-296) contains provisions affecting the payment of benefits under titles II and XVI of the Social Security Act to individuals whose drug addiction or alcoholism is a contributing factor material to the determination of disability. These final rules implement certain provisions related to limitations on benefit payments and the nonpayment and termination of benefits to these individuals.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Notice of Intent with Request for Comments	10/17/94	59 FR 52380
Interim Final Rule	02/10/95	60 FR 8140
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	04/11/95	
Final Action	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None**Government Levels Affected:** None**Agency Contact:** Richard M. Bresnick, Legal Assistant, Social Security Administration, Division of Regulations and Rulings, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235
Phone: 410 965-1758**RIN:** 0960-AD96**3974. SSI ELIGIBILITY FOR STUDENTS TEMPORARILY ABROAD (505P)****Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Reinventing Government:** This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.**Legal Authority:** 42 USC 1302; 42 USC 1383**CFR Citation:** 20 CFR 416.202; 20 CFR 416.270 (New)**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** These regulatory changes are required by section 204 of P.L. 103-296, the Social Security Independence and Program Improvements Act of 1994. This provision allows individuals who leave the United States temporarily as part of an educational program that is not available in the United States, that is designed for gainful employment, and that is sponsored by a school, college, or university in the United States, to continue receiving SSI benefits for up to 1 year if they were eligible for SSI benefits for the month they left the country.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None**Government Levels Affected:** None**Agency Contact:** Henry D. Lerner, Legal Assistant, Social Security Administration, Division of Regulations and Rulings, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235
Phone: 410 965-1762**RIN:** 0960-AE01**3975. REPEAL OF FACILITY OF PAYMENT PROVISION (508F)****Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Reinventing Government:** This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.**Legal Authority:** 42 USC 403**CFR Citation:** 20 CFR 404.402(b); 20 CFR 404.458**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** This regulation will reflect section 309 of P.L. 103-296 which repeals the facility of payment provision under which Social Security benefits subject to the family maximum would not be redistributed in certain cases and provides that the reduction for the family maximum will be made prior to a temporary suspension for work when the non-working auxiliary resides in a separate household from the working auxiliary.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None**Government Levels Affected:** None**Agency Contact:** Cassandra A. Bond, Legal Assistant, Social Security Administration, Division of Regulations and Rulings, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235
Phone: 410 965-1794**RIN:** 0960-AE02**3976. GUARANTEED FAMILY MAXIMUMS (510F)****Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Reinventing Government:** This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.**Legal Authority:** 42 USC 403(a)**CFR Citation:** 20 CFR 404.403**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** This regulation will reflect effect section 310 of P.L. 103-296 which provides that the guaranteed primary insurance amount is to be used in establishing the maximum family benefit for workers who had previously been entitled to disability insurance benefits and became reentitled to retirement or disability benefits on or after December 1995.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None**Government Levels Affected:** None**Agency Contact:** Cassandra A. Bond, Legal Assistant, Social Security Administration, Division of Regulations and Rulings, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235

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RIN: 0960-AE03

3977. SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME FOR THE AGED, BLIND, AND DISABLED; INCOME AND RESOURCES, DEEMING OF PARENTAL INCOME AND RESOURCES WHEN CHILDREN ARE HOSPITALIZED (522P)**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Reinventing Government:** This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.**Legal Authority:** 42 USC 1302; 42 USC 1382c(f)(2); 42 USC 1383(d)**CFR Citation:** 20 CFR 416.1165; 20 CFR 416.1167; 20 CFR 416.1202**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** Current SSI regulations reflect the concept that deeming (the process of considering another person's income to be your own) applies only in household situations. Currently, children in medical care facilities are not subject to parental deeming because they are not considered to be in the same household as their parents. While maintaining the concept of "household" for deeming purposes, these proposed rules will expand upon current policy from the household and, as a result, subject to parental deeming. This extends the current policy that is applicable to children away at school to children in medical care facilities. That is, a child who is born in or enters a medical care facility and who is subject to the control of a parent will be considered temporarily absent from the parental household. During this absence, deeming will apply.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None**Government Levels Affected:** None**Agency Contact:** Lawrence V. Dudar, Legal Assistant, Social Security Administration, Division of Regulations and Rulings, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235
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RIN: 0960-AE08

3978. OLD-AGE, SURVIVORS, AND DISABILITY INSURANCE; OVERPAYMENT DEBT COLLECTION PROCEDURES (523P)**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Reinventing Government:** This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.**Legal Authority:** PL 103-387**CFR Citation:** Not yet determined**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** This regulation will implement section 5 of Pub. L. 103-387, the Social Security Domestic Employment Act of 1994 which authorizes SSA to use certain delinquent debt collection procedures available to other Federal agencies, but which were not available to SSA under the Debt Collection Act of 1982. The procedures include reporting delinquent debtors to credit agencies, contracting with private debt collection agencies, and recovering debts by administrative offset of other Federal payments to which the debtor may be entitled. The procedures may be applied only if the overpayment was paid to a person after he or she attained age 18, the debt is not recoverable by other means provided by the Social Security Act, and the debtor is no longer a beneficiary. Authority to use such debt collection procedures sunsets September 30, 1999.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None**Government Levels Affected:** None**Agency Contact:** Lawrence V. Dudar, Legal Assistant, Social Security Administration, Division of Regulations and Rulings, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235
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RIN: 0960-AE09

3979. DETERMINATIONS AND ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW PROCESS—APPLICABILITY OF ADMINISTRATIVE RES JUDICATA (526P)**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant**Reinventing Government:** This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing

Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 405(a) to 405(b); 42 USC 405(d) to 405(h); 42 USC 421(d); 42 USC 902(a)(5); 42 USC 1383; 42 USC 1383b**CFR Citation:** 20 CFR 404.903; 20 CFR 404.950; 20 CFR 404.957; 20 CFR 416.1403; 20 CFR 416.1450; 20 CFR 416.1457**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** This regulation implements section 5107 of Pub. L. 101-508 which provides that SSA may not deny a new application on the basis that the claimant did not timely appeal an earlier determination, if the claimant relied upon incorrect, incomplete or misleading information provided by SSA in deciding not to appeal. In addition, the regulation explains in more detail our res judicata policy.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None**Government Levels Affected:** None**Agency Contact:** Lois Berg, Legal Assistant, Social Security Administration, Division of Regulations and Rulings, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235
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RIN: 0960-AE11

3980. SSA ACQUISITION REGULATIONS (527F)**Priority:** Other**Legal Authority:** 5 USC 301; 40 USC 486(c)**CFR Citation:** Not yet determined**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** The regulation will establish the acquisition rules for the newly independent SSA. The regulation will largely duplicate the HHS acquisition regulation, except for modifications to reflect SSA and its organizational structure. Program and administrative costs are expected to be minimal.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None

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Long-Term Actions

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AE12

3981. MISUSE OF SYMBOLS, EMBLEMS, OR NAMES IN REFERENCE TO THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION (530P)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: PL 103-296, sec 312

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 422.527

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This regulation will implement section 312 of P.L. 103-296 which expands prohibitions on the use of certain letters and symbols and also the reproduction for a fee of forms and publications of SSA and HHS.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AE15

3982. OASDI; NONPAYMENT OF BENEFITS TO INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS AND INDIVIDUALS CONFINED IN CRIMINAL CASES, PURSUANT TO CONVICTION OR BY COURT ORDER BASED ON FINDINGS OF INSANITY (531P)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 402(x); 42 USC 405; 42 USC 902

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 404.468

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The regulation will implement section 4 of P.L. 103-387 which modifies and expands the current prisoner nonpayment provisions.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AE16

3983. SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME; PLANS FOR ACHIEVING SELF-SUPPORT (506I)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: PL 103-296, sec 203; 42 USC 1383b(d)

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 416.1180; 20 CFR 416.1181; 20 CFR 416.1182; 20 CFR 416.1224; 20 CFR 416.1225; 20 CFR 416.1226

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: These regulations revise our rules on plans to achieve self-support (PASS) to take into account the time period an individual will need for completion of his or her PASS and other factors determined to be appropriate.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AE17

3984. OLD-AGE, SURVIVORS, AND DISABILITY INSURANCE BENEFITS; REPLACING SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER CARDS (543F)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 405

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 422.103

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: These final rules will support our pilot test for replacing social security number cards when we receive a request by telephone. We will test replacing the card based on information furnished by telephone, without requiring additional documentation.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	06/22/95	60 FR 32444
Interim Final Rule Comment Period End	08/21/95	
Final Action	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AE18

3985. LUMP SUM DEATH PAYMENT AND LIVING IN THE SAME HOUSEHOLD (548F)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 405(a); 42 USC 416; 42 USC 902(a)(5); 42 USC 402; 42 USC 403; 42 USC 423; 42 USC 428

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 404.2; 20 CFR 404.3; 20 CFR 404.347; 20 CFR 404.390;

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Long-Term Actions

20 CFR 404.392; 20 CFR 404.393; 20 CFR 404.394; 20 CFR 404.395; 20 CFR 404.612; 20 CFR 404.615; 20 CFR 404.765

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: These final regulations revise our rules on "living in the same household" (LISH) and the lump-sum death payment (LSDP) to bring them into accord with legislation that restricted the payment of the LSDP. This revision includes the removal from our regulations of several outdated sections and paragraphs. We are also incorporating into our rules the policy established previously in a Social Security Ruling (SSR) that interpreted the definition of LISH to allow for extended separations that are based solely on medical reasons.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/06/95	60 FR 62354
NPRM Comment Period End	02/05/96	
Final Action	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AE20

3986. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION REGULATIONS FOR INDEPENDENT SSA (546F)

Priority: Other

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 405; 42 USC 902(a)(5); 42 USC 1306; 5 USC 552; 5 USC 552(a); 8 USC 1360; 18 USC 1905; 26 USC 6103; 31 USC 9701; 30 USC 923(b)

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 402.5 to 402.205

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: These regulations adopt the DHHS Freedom of Information Regulations and the SSA availability of information and records to the public regulations into a new 20 CFR part 402.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AE24

3987. REQUIREMENTS FOR AWARDS AND SUBAWARDS TO INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; CERTAIN GRANTS AND AGREEMENTS WITH STATES, LOCAL, AND INDIAN TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS (547F)

Priority: Other

Legal Authority: 5 USC 301; 31 USC 7505; 41 USC 403(11)

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 435.000

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This final regulation migrates the HHS grants regulation at 45 CFR part 74 into a new SSA regulation at 20 CFR 435 now that SSA is an independent agency.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AE25

3988. GOVERNMENTWIDE DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION (NONPROCUREMENT) AND GOVERNMENTWIDE REQUIREMENTS FOR DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE (GRANTS) (554F)

Priority: Other

Legal Authority: 5 USC 301; 41 USC 403(11); 41 USC 701 et seq

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 436.000

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This final regulation migrates the HHS grants regulation at 45 CFR

part 76 into a new SSA regulation at 20 CFR part 436 now that SSA is an independent agency.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AE27

3989. UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS FOR GRANTS AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS TO STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND INDIAN TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS (555F)

Priority: Other

Legal Authority: 5 USC 301; 41 USC 403(ii)

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 437.000

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This final regulation migrates the HHS grants regulation at 45 CFR part 92 into a new SSA regulation at 20 CFR part 437 now that SSA is an independent agency.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AE28

3990. RESTRICTIONS ON LOBBYING IN CONNECTION WITH THE AWARD OF GRANTS, CONTRACTS, AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS (556F)

Priority: Other

Legal Authority: 5 USC 301; 31 USC 1352

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 438.000

Legal Deadline: None

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Long-Term Actions

Abstract: This final regulation migrates the HHS grants regulation at 45 CFR part 93 into a new SSA regulation at 20 CFR part 438 now that SSA is an independent agency.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AE29

3991. STATUS OF LEGALLY ADOPTED CHILD (557P)

Priority: Other

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 402; 42 USC 403(a); 42 USC 403(b); 42 USC 405(a); 42 USC 416; 42 USC 423; 42 USC 428(a) to 428(e); 42 USC 902(a)(5)

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 404.354; 20 CFR 404.355; 20 CFR 404.365

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: These proposed regulations will amend our present regulations to clarify that we determine the status of an adopted child by applying State adoption law, not the State law on inheritance.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AE30

3992. PRIVACY AND DISCLOSURE OF OFFICIAL RECORDS AND INFORMATION (566F)

Priority: Other

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 5 USC 552; 5 USC 552a; 26 USC 6103; 30 USC 923; 42 USC 405(a); 42 USC 1302; 42 USC 1306

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 401.5 to 401.200

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This final regulation migrates the HHS privacy regulation at 45 CFR part 5b into a new SSA regulation at 20 CFR part 401 which now includes SSA's regulations on disclosure.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action Effective	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 0960-AE34

3993. REDUCTION OF DISABILITY BENEFITS—WORKERS' COMPENSATION/PUBLIC DISABILITY BENEFITS (567P)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 402 to 405; 42 USC 424a; 42 USC 902(a)(5)

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 404.408

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: We propose to revise our rules on reduction of Social Security benefits based on disability on account of receipt of workers' compensation and/or public disability benefits provided under Federal (other than Social Security), State, or local laws or plans to clarify our existing policies.

We also propose to adopt a uniform method of proration of workers' compensation and public disability benefit settlements. In addition, we propose to incorporate into our rules the policy interpretations established previously in relevant Social Security Rulings (SSRs), and we will update provisions that have not been changed since 1984.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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3994. PROVIDE "ONE-STOP" SERVICE FOR ALIENS APPLYING FOR SOCIAL SECURITY CARDS (569P)

Priority: Other Significant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

Legal Authority: 42 USC 405; 42 USC 1383

CFR Citation: Not yet determined

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Aliens will apply for Social Security cards at the same time they complete Immigration and Naturalization Services (INS) paperwork. Currently, alien applicants are required to furnish almost the same information to both SSA and INS. This one-stop service will reduce the potential for issuing Social Security cards based on fraudulent INS documents, and will result in efficiencies for the Government.

Statement of Need: This regulation is necessary to implement a Reinventing Government initiative.

Summary of the Legal Basis: These changes are not required by statute or court order.

Alternatives: Not yet determined

SSA

Long-Term Actions

Anticipated Costs and Benefits: While the full impact of this change has not yet been determined, it is expected to reduce fraud based on false INS documents and to result in efficiencies for the Government of approximately \$18 million over 5 years.

Risks: At this time we have not identified any risks associated with the proposal.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	00/00/00	
Final Action	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION (SSA)

Completed Actions

3995. SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME PROGRAM; CONTINUATION OF FULL BENEFIT STANDARD FOR CERTAIN PERSONS TEMPORARILY INSTITUTIONALIZED (198F)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 416.211; 20 CFR 416.413; 20 CFR 416.414; 20 CFR 416.1149; 20 CFR 416.1167; 20 CFR 416.1325; 20 CFR 416.2040; 20 CFR 416.410; 20 CFR 416.412; 20 CFR 416.640; 20 CFR 416.1147

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	03/13/96	61 FR 10274

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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3996. SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME FOR THE AGED, BLIND, AND DISABLED; EXCLUSION FROM INCOME AND RESOURCES OF VICTIMS' COMPENSATION PAYMENTS AND STATE RELOCATION ASSISTANCE (311F)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 416.1124; 20 CFR 416.1161(a); 20 CFR 416.1204(a); 20

CFR 416.1210; 20 CFR 416.1229 (New); 20 CFR 416.1239 (New)

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	01/23/96	61 FR 1711
Final Action Effective	02/22/96	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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3997. EXTENSION OF TIME PERIOD FOR NOT COUNTING AS RESOURCES, FUNDS RECEIVED FOR REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT OF DAMAGED OR DESTROYED EXCLUDED RESOURCES IN THE SSI PROGRAM (486F)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 416.1232

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	02/15/96	61 FR 5943
Final Action Effective	02/15/96	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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3998. FEDERAL OASDI AND SSI FOR THE AGED, BLIND, AND DISABLED; SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS FOR STATE AGENCY MEDICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL CONSULTANTS IN DISABILITY DETERMINATIONS (465F)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 404.1615; 20 CFR 416.1015

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	03/19/96	61 FR 11133

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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3999. GOVERNMENT PENSION OFFSET, WINDFALL ELIMINATION PROVISION, AND ANNUAL EARNINGS REPORT (514F)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 404.213; 20 CFR 404.408a; 20 CFR 404.452

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	11/09/95	60 FR 56511
Final Action Effective	11/09/95	

Small Entities Affected: None

SSA

Completed Actions

Government Levels Affected: State
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4000. ASSIGNING SSNS TO UNDOCUMENTED ALIENS WHO ARE REPRESENTATIVE PAYEES OR SSI DEEMORS (549P)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant
Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 422.104

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Withdrawn	03/21/96	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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4001. REVISION OF AUTHORITY CITATIONS (562F)

Priority: Other

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 401.100 to 401.600; 20 CFR 401.1 to 404.2127; 20 CFR 416.101 to 416.227; 20 CFR 422.1 to 422.607; 20 CFR 423.1 to 423.9

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
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Final Action Effective	02/15/96	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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4002. SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS: FRAUD AND ABUSE; ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW PART 498 TO ADDRESS CIVIL MONEY PENALTIES, ASSESSMENT AND EXCLUSIONS (563F)

Priority: Other

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 498.100 to 498.103; 20 CFR 498.106; 20 CFR 498.108 to 498.110; 20 CFR 498.126 to 498.128; 20 CFR 498.132

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
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Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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4003. PROMOTE ONE-STOP BENEFIT APPLICATION (572P)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Reinventing Government: This rulemaking is part of the Reinventing Government effort. It will revise text in the CFR to reduce burden or duplication, or streamline requirements.

CFR Citation: Not yet determined

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Withdrawn	03/21/96	

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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4004. DETERMINING DISABILITY AND BLINDNESS; EXTENSION OF EXPIRATION DATES FOR HEMIC AND LYMPHATIC SYSTEM, CHILDHOOD MENTAL DISORDERS, AND MALIGNANT NEOPLASTIC DISEASES LISTING (573F)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 42 USC 405; 42 USC 1382c

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 404.1501

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This rule extends the expiration dates for the hemic and lymphatic system childhood mental disorders, and malignant neoplastic diseases listings for a period of 2 years. It makes no revisions to the medical criteria in the listings; they remain the same as they now appear in the Code of Federal Regulations. This extension will ensure that we continue to have medical evaluation criteria in the listings to adjudicate claims for disability based on hemic and lymphatic system impairments, childhood mental disorders, and malignant neoplastic diseases at step three of our sequential evaluation process.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	12/06/95	60 FR 62329

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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