

words “responsible person”, adding the words “or spouse’s” after the words “responsible person’s”, and adding “(if applicable)” after the word “position”; and

■ e. In paragraphs (b)(2)(iii) and (iv), by adding the words “or spouse filing jointly” after the words “responsible person” wherever they appear.

The revisions read as follows:

§ 479.63 Applicant identity.

(a) Each individual applicant must:

(b) If the applicant is not an individual, and is not a licensed manufacturer, importer, or dealer qualified under this part, but is a partnership, company (including a limited liability company (LLC)), association, trust, corporation, or married couple filing jointly, the applicant must:

■ 4. Amend § 479.84, by:

■ a. In paragraph (b)(9), adding the words “or spouse filing jointly” after the words “responsible person”; and

■ b. Revising paragraphs (a), (b) introductory text, (b)(2), and (b)(5) and adding paragraph (b)(10) to read as follows:

§ 479.84 Application to transfer.

(a) General. Except as otherwise provided in this subpart, no person may transfer a firearm in the United States unless the transferor submits an application, ATF Form 5320.4 (“Form 4”), Application to Transfer and Register NFA Firearm (Tax-Paid), to the Director in duplicate, executed under the penalties of perjury, to transfer the firearm and register it to the transferee, and the Director has approved the application. If the transferee is not a licensed manufacturer, importer, or dealer qualified under this part, but is a partnership, company (including a limited liability company (LLC)), association, trust, corporation, or a married couple filing jointly, the transferee must furnish all information required on Form 4 for each of the transferee’s responsible persons or spouses filing jointly.

(b) ATF Form 5320.4 (“Form 4”). The transferor and transferee must provide all the information called for on Form 4, including:

(2) The transferor’s identity by name and address and, if the transferor is not an individual, the title or legal status (such as spouse or owner) of the person executing the application in relation to the transferor;

(5) The transferee’s identity by name and address and, if the transferee is not qualified as a licensed manufacturer, importer, or dealer under this part, additional identity information in the manner prescribed in § 479.85;

(10) If the applicants are spouses filing jointly (a married couple), they must submit applicable documents demonstrating a legal marriage with the application, including a marriage certificate, license, or proof of a marriage otherwise recognized under state law. In the event a marriage certificate is not available, applicants can submit other evidence of marriage (such as affidavits, joint tax returns).

■ 6. Amend § 479.85 by:

■ a. Revising the section heading, paragraph (a) introductory text, and paragraph (b) introductory text;

■ b. In paragraph (b)(1), adding “(or last name(s) and primary address of the married couple filing jointly)” between the words “place of business” and the comma, and adding the words “or a married couple filing jointly” between the words “in the case of a trust” and the comma;

■ c. In paragraph (b)(2)(i), removing the word “Documentation” and adding in its place the word “Documents”, and adding the words “marriage certificates, licenses, or other proof of marriage recognized under state law,” before the words “partnership agreements”;

■ d. In paragraph (b)(2)(ii), adding the words “or spouse filing jointly” after the words “responsible person”, adding the words “or spouse’s” after the words “responsible person’s”, and adding “(if applicable)” after the word “position”; and

■ e. In paragraphs (b)(2)(iii) and (iv), adding the words “or spouse filing jointly” after the words “responsible person” wherever they appear.

The revisions read as follows:

§ 479.85 Transferee identity.

(a) Each individual transferee must:

(b) If the transferee is not an individual, and is not a licensed manufacturer, importer, or dealer qualified under this part, but is a partnership, company (including a limited liability company (LLC)), association, trust, corporation, or a married couple filing jointly, the transferee must:

■ 7. Amend § 479.101 by:

■ a. Revising the section heading; and

■ b. Adding paragraph (g).
The revision and addition read as follows:

§ 479.101 Registering firearms.

(g) A firearm may be registered jointly to spouses. The marriage must be recognized under state law, and each spouse must meet the requirements of this part, including retaining proof of registration.

Robert Cekada,

Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

30 CFR parts 550, 556, and 590

[Docket No. BOEM–2025–0042]

RIN 1010–AE26

Risk Management and Financial Assurance for OCS Lease and Grant Obligations; Extension of Public Comment Period

AGENCY: Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking; extension of public comment period.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) is extending the public comment period on our notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) titled “Risk Management and Financial Assurance for OCS Lease and Grant Obligations” by seven days. Comments previously submitted need not be resubmitted and will be fully considered.

DATES: The comment period for the proposed rule “Risk Management and Financial Assurance for OCS Lease and Grant Obligations,” which was published on March 9, 2026, at 91 FR 11212, is extended by 7 days. Online comments submitted at https://www.regulations.gov must be uploaded by 11:59 p.m. eastern daylight time on May 15, 2026. Hardcopy comments submitted by a parcel delivery service must be received by BOEM or postmarked on or before May 15, 2026.

ADDRESSES: The publicly available documents relevant to this action are available for public inspection electronically at https://www.regulations.gov in Docket No. BOEM–2025–0042.

Submitting Comments. You may send comments regarding the substance of this proposed rule, identified by Docket No. BOEM–2025–0042 or regulation identifier number (RIN) 1010–AE26, using any of the following methods:

• *Federal e-rulemaking portal:* <https://www.regulations.gov>. Search for and submit comments on Docket No. BOEM-2025-0042.

• *U.S. Postal Service or other parcel delivery service:* Send comments on the proposed rule to the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Office of Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Karen Thundiyil, Office Director, Office of Regulatory Affairs, BOEM, 1849 C Street NW, Washington, DC 20240.

Instructions: All comments submitted regarding this proposed rule should reference Docket No. BOEM-2025-0042 or RIN 1010-AE26. All comments received by BOEM will be reviewed and may be posted to <https://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided with the submission. For further instructions on protecting personally identifiable information, see “Public Availability of Comments” under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Karen Thundiyil, Office Director, Office of Regulatory Affairs, BOEM, 1849 C Street NW, Washington, DC 20240, at email address regulatory.affairs@boem.gov, or at telephone number (202) 742-0970.

Individuals in the United States who are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services for contacting the contacts listed in this section. These services are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours. Individuals outside the United States should use the relay services offered within their country to make international calls to the point-of-contact in the United States.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 9, 2026, BOEM published the proposed rule “Risk Management and Financial Assurance for OCS Lease and Grant Obligations.” 91 FR 11212. The major proposed amendments include returning to the previous BOEM practice of considering the financial strength of jointly liable predecessor lessees, revising the credit rating threshold for determining whether oil, gas, and sulfur lessees, right-of-use and easement grant holders, and pipeline right-of-way grant holders on the OCS are required to provide supplemental financial assurance above the required general financial assurance amount to ensure compliance with their Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act obligations,

revising the decommissioning estimate used to determine the amount of supplemental financial assurance required, and revising the appeals bond provision related to the Interior Board of Land Appeals appeal procedures. With this notice, we are extending the public comment period on the NPRM by seven days.

Public Availability of Comments

You may submit your comments and materials by one of the methods listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice. Before including your name, return address, phone number, email address, or other personally identifiable information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personally identifiable information—may be made publicly available. In order for BOEM to withhold from disclosure your personally identifiable information, you must identify, in a cover letter, any information contained in the submittal of your comments that, if released, would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of your personal privacy. You must also briefly describe in such cover letter any possible harmful consequences of the disclosure of information, such as embarrassment, injury, or other harm. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personally identifiable information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. Even if BOEM withholds your information in the context of this rulemaking, your submission is subject to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and any relevant court orders. If your submission is requested under the FOIA or such court order, your information will only be withheld if a determination is made that one of the FOIA’s exemptions to disclosure applies or if such court order is challenged. Such a determination will be made in accordance with the Department’s FOIA regulations and applicable law.

Jennafer L. Foreman,

Chief of Staff, BOEM, Exercising the Delegated Authority of the BOEM Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

38 CFR Part 17

[Docket No. VA-2024-VHA-0031]

RIN 2900-AS25

Updates to Waiver of Charges for Copayments

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Proposed rule; withdrawal.

SUMMARY: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is withdrawing a document published in the **Federal Register** on December 17, 2024, that requested public comment on VA’s proposal to revise its medical regulations to allow VA to initiate a waiver request for debt accumulated from health care copayments on behalf of veterans in certain circumstances and to remove the requirement that veterans submit VA Form 5655 when seeking a waiver of copayment debt. VA is withdrawing the proposed rule because VA has determined the proposed regulation is no longer necessary.

DATES: The proposed rule published at 89 FR 102031 on December 17, 2024, is withdrawn as of May 8, 2026.

ADDRESSES: The docket for this withdrawn proposed rule is available at www.regulations.gov/docket/VA-2024-VHA-0031.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kevin Johnson, Director, Revenue Operations, Office of Finance, Veterans Health Administration, (562) 480-2890.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In a document published in the **Federal Register** on December 17, 2024, VA proposed to revise its medical regulations to allow VA to initiate a waiver request for debt accumulated from health care copayments on behalf of veterans in certain circumstances and to remove the requirement that veterans submit VA Form 5655 when seeking a waiver of copayment debt.

On November 20, 2025, VA announced it would relieve veterans of more than \$272 million in potential medical bills that accrued when certain copayment claims processing and collections stopped in early 2023, including the copayments giving rise to this rulemaking.¹ Therefore, VA is withdrawing the proposed rule because it is no longer necessary.

Signing Authority

Douglas A. Collins, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, approved this

¹ <https://news.va.gov/press-room/va-provides-veterans-relief-from-biden-era-backlogged-medical-bills/> (last accessed December 3, 2025).