

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Customs and Border Protection

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Customs User Fees To Be Adjusted for Inflation in Fiscal Year 2027

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: General notice.

SUMMARY: This document announces that U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) is adjusting certain customs user fees and corresponding limitations established by the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) for Fiscal Year 2027 in accordance with the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act) as implemented by the CBP regulations.

DATES: The adjusted amounts of customs COBRA user fees and their corresponding limitations set forth in this notice for Fiscal Year 2027 are required as of October 1, 2026.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

A. Adjustments of Customs COBRA User Fees and Corresponding Limitations for Inflation

On December 4, 2015, the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act, Pub. L. 114–94) was signed into law. Section 32201 of the FAST Act amended section 13031 of the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) of 1985 (19 U.S.C. 58c) by requiring the Secretary of the Treasury (Secretary) to adjust certain customs COBRA user fees and corresponding limitations to reflect certain increases in inflation.

Sections 24.22 and 24.23 of title 19 of the Code of Federal Regulations (19 CFR 24.22 and 24.23) describe the procedures that implement the requirements of the FAST Act. Specifically, paragraph (k) in section 24.22 (19 CFR 24.22(k)) sets forth the methodology to determine the change in

inflation as well as the factor by which the fees and limitations will be adjusted, if necessary. The fees and limitations subject to adjustment, which are set forth in Appendix A and Appendix B of part 24, include the commercial vessel arrival fees, commercial truck arrival fees, railroad car arrival fees, private vessel arrival fees, private aircraft arrival fees, commercial aircraft and vessel passenger arrival fees, dutiable mail fees, customs broker permit user fees, barges and other bulk carriers arrival fees, and merchandise processing fees, as well as the corresponding limitations.

B. Determination of Whether an Adjustment Is Necessary for Fiscal Year 2027

In accordance with 19 CFR 24.22, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) must determine annually whether the fees and limitations must be adjusted to reflect inflation. For Fiscal Year 2027, CBP is making this determination by comparing the average of the Consumer Price Index—All Urban Consumers, U.S. All items, 1982–1984 (CPI-U) for the current year (June 2025–May 2026) with the average of the CPI-U for the comparison year (June 2024–May 2025) to determine the change in inflation, if any. If there is an increase in the CPI-U of greater than one (1) percent, CBP must adjust the customs COBRA user fees and corresponding limitations using the methodology set forth in 19 CFR 24.22(k). Following the steps provided in paragraph (k)(2) of section 24.22, CBP has determined that the increase in the CPI-U between the most recent June to May twelve-month period (June 2025–May 2026) and the comparison year (June 2024–May 2025) is 2.84¹ percent. As the increase in the CPI-U is greater than one (1) percent, the customs COBRA user fees and corresponding limitations must be adjusted for Fiscal Year 2027.

C. Determination of the Adjusted Fees and Limitations

Using the methodology set forth in section 24.22(k)(2) of the CBP

¹ The figures provided in this notice may be rounded for publication purposes only. The calculations for the adjusted fees and limitations were made using unrounded figures, unless otherwise noted.

regulations (19 CFR 24.22(k)), CBP has determined that the factor by which the base fees and limitations will be adjusted is 38.222 percent (base fees and limitations can be found in Appendices A and B to part 24 of title 19). In reaching this determination, CBP calculated the values for each variable found in paragraph (k) of 19 CFR 24.22 as follows:

- The arithmetic average of the CPI-U for June 2025–May 2026, referred to as (A) in the CBP regulations, is 326.451;
- The arithmetic average of the CPI-U for Fiscal Year 2014, referred to as (B), is 236.009;
- The arithmetic average of the CPI-U for the comparison year (June 2024–May 2025), referred to as (C), is 317.032;
- The difference between the arithmetic averages of the CPI-U of the comparison year (June 2024–May 2025) and the current year (June 2025–May 2026), referred to as (D), is 9.419;
- This difference rounded to the nearest whole number, referred to as (E), is 9;
- The percentage change in the arithmetic averages of the CPI-U of the comparison year (June 2024–May 2025) and the current year (June 2025–May 2026), referred to as (F), is 2.84 percent;
- The difference in the arithmetic average of the CPI-U between the current year (June 2025–May 2026) and the base year (Fiscal Year 2014), referred to as (G), is 90.443; and
- Lastly, the percentage change in the CPI-U from the base year (Fiscal Year 2014) to the current year (June 2025–May 2026), referred to as (H), is 38.322 percent.

D. Announcement of New Fees and Limitations

The adjusted amounts of customs COBRA user fees and their corresponding limitations for Fiscal Year 2027, as adjusted by 38.322 percent, and set forth below, are required as of October 1, 2026. Table 1 provides the fees and limitations found in 19 CFR 24.22 as adjusted for Fiscal Year 2027, and Table 2 provides the fees and limitations found in 19 CFR 24.23 as adjusted for Fiscal Year 2027.

TABLE 1—CUSTOMS COBRA USER FEES AND LIMITATIONS FOUND IN 19 CFR 24.22 AS ADJUSTED FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027

19 U.S.C. 58c	19 CFR 24.22	Customs COBRA user fee/limitation	New fee/limitation adjusted in accordance with the FAST Act
(a)(1)	(b)(1)(i)	Fee: Commercial Vessel Arrival Fee	\$604.47
(b)(5)(A)	(b)(1)(ii)	Limitation: Calendar Year Maximum for Commercial Vessel Arrival Fees	8,237.06
(a)(8)	(b)(2)(i)	Fee: Barges and Other Bulk Carriers Arrival Fee	152.15
(b)(6)	(b)(2)(ii)	Limitation: Calendar Year Maximum for Barges and Other Bulk Carriers Arrival Fees.	2,074.83
(a)(2)	(c)(1)	Fee: Commercial Truck Arrival Fee ^{2 3}	7.60
(b)(2)	(c)(2) and (3)	Limitation: Commercial Truck Calendar Year Prepayment Fee ⁴	138.32
(a)(3)	(d)(1)	Fee: Railroad Car Arrival Fee	11.41
(b)(3)	(d)(2) and (3)	Limitation: Railroad Car Calendar Year Prepayment Fee	138.32
(a)(4)	(e)(1) and (2)	Fee and Limitation: Private Vessel or Private Aircraft First Arrival/Calendar Year Prepayment Fee.	38.04
(a)(6)	(f)	Fee: Dutiable Mail Fee	7.61
(a)(5)(A)	(g)(1)(i)	Fee: Commercial Vessel or Commercial Aircraft Passenger Arrival Fee	7.61
(a)(5)(B)	(g)(1)(ii)	Fee: Commercial Vessel Passenger Arrival Fee (from one of the territories and possessions of the United States).	2.67
(a)(7)	(h)	Fee: Customs Broker Permit User Fee	190.88

² The \$7.60 Commercial Truck Arrival Fee is the CBP fee only; it does not include the fiscal year 2027 United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) Agricultural and Quarantine Inspection (AQI) User Fee (\$14.50) that is collected by CBP on behalf of USDA to make a total Single Crossing Fee of \$22.10. See 7 CFR 354.3(c) and 19 CFR 24.22(c)(1). Once eighteen Single Crossing Fees have been paid and used for a vehicle identification number (VIN)/vehicle in a Decal and Transponder Online Procurement System (DTOPS) account within a calendar year, the payment required for the nineteenth (and subsequent) single-crossing is only the \$14.50 AQI fee and no longer includes CBP's \$7.60 Commercial Truck Arrival Fee (for the remainder of that calendar year). For APHIS AQI User Fee information, see: <https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aqi/fees>.

³ The Commercial Truck Arrival Fee is adjusted down from \$7.61 to the nearest lower nickel. See 82 FR 50523 (November 1, 2017).

⁴ The \$138.32 Commercial Truck Calendar Year Prepayment Fee is the CBP fee only; it does not include the fiscal year 2027 AQI Commercial Truck with Transponder Fee (\$870.60) that is collected by CBP on behalf of APHIS to make the total Commercial Vehicle Transponder Annual User Fee of \$1,008.92.

TABLE 2—CUSTOMS COBRA USER FEES AND LIMITATIONS FOUND IN 19 CFR 24.23 AS ADJUSTED FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027

19 U.S.C. 58c	19 CFR 24.23	Customs COBRA user fee/limitation	New fee/ limitation adjusted in accordance with the FAST Act
(b)(9)(A)(ii)	(b)(1)(i)(A)	Fee: Express Consignment Carrier/Centralized Hub Facility Fee, Per Individual Waybill/Bill of Lading Fee.	\$1.38
(b)(9)(B)(i)	(b)(4)(ii) ⁵	Limitation: Minimum Express Consignment Carrier/Centralized Hub Facility Fee ⁶ .	0.48
(b)(9)(B)(i)	(b)(4)(ii) ⁷	Limitation: Maximum Express Consignment Carrier/Centralized Hub Facility Fee.	1.38
(a)(9)(B)(i);	(b)(1)(i)(B) ⁸	Limitation: Minimum Merchandise Processing Fee ⁹	34.58
(b)(8)(A)(i)	(b)(1)(i)(B) ¹⁰	Limitation: Maximum Merchandise Processing Fee ^{11 12}	670.86
(a)(9)(B)(i);	(b)(1)(ii)	Fee: Surcharge for Manual Entry or Release	4.15
(b)(8)(A)(i)	(b)(2)(i)	Fee: Informal Entry or Release; Automated and Not Prepared by CBP Personnel.	2.77
(a)(10)(C)(i)	(b)(2)(ii)	Fee: Informal Entry or Release; Manual and Not Prepared by CBP Personnel.	8.30
(a)(10)(C)(ii)	(b)(2)(iii)	Fee: Informal Entry or Release; Manual; Prepared by CBP Personnel.	12.45
(b)(9)(A)(ii)	(b)(4)	Fee: Express Consignment Carrier/Centralized Hub Facility Fee, Per Individual Waybill/Bill of Lading Fee.	1.38

⁵ Appendix B of part 24 inadvertently included a reference to paragraph (b)(1)(i)(B)(2) of section 24.23. However, the reference should have been to paragraph (b)(4)(ii). CBP intends to publish a future document in the **Federal Register** to make several technical corrections to part 24 of title 19 of the CFR, including corrections to Appendix B of part 24. The technical corrections will also address the inadvertent errors specified in footnotes 7, 8, and 10 below.

⁶ Although the minimum limitation is published, the fee charged is the fee required by 19 U.S.C. 58c(b)(9)(A)(ii).

⁷ Appendix B of part 24 inadvertently included a reference to paragraph (b)(1)(i)(B)(2) of section 24.23. However, the reference should have been to paragraph (b)(4)(ii).

⁸ Appendix B of part 24 inadvertently included a reference to paragraph (b)(1)(i)(B)(1) of section 24.23. However, the reference should have been to paragraph (b)(1)(i)(B).

⁹ Only the limitation is increasing; the *ad valorem* rate of 0.3464 percent remains the same. See 82 FR 50523 (November 1, 2017).

¹⁰ Appendix B of part 24 inadvertently included a reference to paragraph (b)(1)(i)(B)(1) of section 24.23. However, the reference should have been to paragraph (b)(1)(i)(B).

¹¹ Only the limitation is increasing; the *ad valorem* rate of 0.3464 percent remains the same. See 82 FR 50523 (November 1, 2017).

¹² For monthly pipeline entries, see <https://www.cbp.gov/trade/entry-summary/pipeline-monthly-entry-processing/pipeline-line-qa>.

Tables 1 and 2, setting forth the adjusted fees and limitations for Fiscal Year 2027, will also be maintained for the public's convenience on the CBP website at www.cbp.gov.

Rodney S. Scott, Commissioner, having reviewed and approved this document, has delegated the authority to electronically sign the document to Susan S. Thomas, the Executive Assistant Commissioner, Office of Trade, for purposes of publication in the **Federal Register**.

Susan S. Thomas,

Executive Assistant Commissioner, Office of Trade, U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID: FEMA-2026-0232; OMB No. 1660-0004]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Application for Participation in the National Flood Insurance Program

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: 60-Day notice of extension and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public to take this opportunity to comment on an extension, without change, of a currently approved information collection. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice seeks comments concerning the collection of information under which communities submit information to FEMA for application and continued participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before September 29, 2026.

ADDRESSES: To avoid duplicate submissions to the docket, please submit comments at www.regulations.gov under Docket ID

FEMA-2026-0232. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

All submissions received must include the agency name and Docket ID. Regardless of the method used for submitting comments or material, all submissions will be posted, without change, to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>, and will include any personal information you provide. Therefore, submitting this information makes it public. You may wish to read the Privacy and Security Notice that is available via a link on the homepage of www.regulations.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Charles Baker, Program Analyst, Floodplain Management Division at charles.baker@fema.dhs.gov or (202) 600-1885. You may contact the Information Management Division for copies of the proposed collection of information at email address: FEMA-Information-Collections-Management@fema.dhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NFIP, codified at 42 U.S.C. 4001 et seq., requires all flood prone communities throughout the country to apply for participation in the NFIP one year after their flood-prone status is identified or submit to the prohibition of certain types of federal and federally related financial assistance for use in their floodplains. 44 CFR 59.2 authorizes previously unavailable flood insurance protection to property owners in flood-prone areas and identifies the information that communities are required to submit to FEMA for application into the NFIP. 44 CFR 59.22 and 59.24 identify the information a community is required to submit to FEMA for continued participation in the program. This collection also accounts for the burden hours associated with the applicant's time to collect information as part of the community development permit process. To qualify for the NFIP, a participating community must adopt certain minimum standards in accordance with FEMA's regulations at 44 CFR 60.3, 60.4, and 60.5. To verify whether communities maintain such standards, the NFIP requires participating communities to retain documentation on development taking place in the flood hazard areas within the community. See 44 CFR 59.22. Such information will be made available to FEMA upon request. This information assists FEMA in evaluating the

effectiveness of a community's floodplain management program and participating property owners' eligibility for flood insurance. The "Application for Participation in the NFIP" and the "NFIP and the Community Development Permit Process" are separate actions documented under the same collection.

Collection of Information

Title: Application for Participation in the National Flood Insurance Program.

Type of Information Collection:

Extension, without change, of a currently approved information collection.

OMB Number: 1660-0004.

FEMA Forms: FEMA Form FF-206-FY-22-160 (formerly 086-0-30), Application for Participation in the National Flood Insurance Program.

Abstract: The NFIP provides flood insurance to communities that apply for participation and make a commitment to protect against future flood damages. The application form and supporting documentation will enable FEMA to continue to rapidly process new community applications and to thereby more quickly provide flood insurance protection to the residents in communities.

Affected Public: State, Local and Tribal Governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 22,792.

Estimated Number of Responses: 91,033.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 273,144.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Cost: \$28,704,703.

Estimated Respondents' Operation and Maintenance Costs: \$0.

Estimated Respondents' Capital and Start-Up Costs: \$0.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to the Federal Government: \$120,081.

Comments

Comments may be submitted as indicated in the **ADDRESSES** caption above. Comments are solicited to (a) evaluate whether the proposed data collection is necessary for the proper performance of the Agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) enhance the quality, utility, and