TABLE 1 TO PARAGRAPH (e)—Continued

Licensing Section services	Fees ($)
(2) Statement of account amendment (cable television systems and satellite carriers, 17 U.S.C. 111 and 119; digital audio recording devices or media, 17 U.S.C. 1003)	70
(3) Recordation of certain contracts by cable TV systems located outside the 48 contiguous states	70
(4) Initial or amended notice of digital transmission of sound recording (17 U.S.C. 112, 114)	70
(5) Processing of a statement of account based on secondary transmissions of primary transmissions pursuant to 17 U.S.C. 111:	
(i) Form SA1	20
(ii) Form SA2	25
(iii) Form SA3	960
(6) Processing of a statement of account based on secondary transmissions of primary transmissions pursuant to 17 U.S.C. 119 or 122	960
(7) Search report prepared from Licensing Section records (per hour, 2 hour minimum)	300

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PART 203—FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT: POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

■ 5. The authority citation for part 203 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 552.

■ 6. In § 203.11, amend paragraph (a)(2) by revising the last sentence to read as follows:

§ 203.11 Fees.

(a) * * *

(2) Payment of the applicable fees under this paragraph shall be made by the methods established under § 201.6(a) of this chapter.

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Dated: November 13, 2026.

Shira Perlmutter,

Register of Copyrights and Director of the U.S. Copyright Office.

Approved by:

Robert R. Newlen,

Acting Librarian of Congress.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 52

[WC Docket No. 21–341; FCC 23–95; FR ID 378222]

Protecting Consumers From SIM-Swap and Port-Out Fraud

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission

ACTION: Final rule; announcement of compliance date.

SUMMARY: In this document, the Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) announces that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved, for a period of three years, the information collection associated with Telephone Number Portability. This document is consistent with the *SIM Swap and Port-Out Fraud Order,* which directed the Wireline Competition Bureau to publish a document in the **Federal Register** announcing a compliance date of the rules.

DATES:

Effective date: Amendatory instruction 2 (47 CFR 52.37), published at 88 FR 85794, December 8, 2023, is effective on November 18, 2026. The amendments in this final rule are effective November 18, 2026.

Compliance date: Compliance with the amendments to 47 CFR 52.37, published at 88 FR 85794, December 8, 2023, for commercial mobile radio service providers is required as of December 18, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, 45 L Street SW, Washington, DC 20554.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, contact Melissa Kirkel, Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, at (202) 418–7958 or *Melissa.Kirkel@fcc.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 16, 2023, the FCC released a *Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking* (88 FR 85794 (Dec. 8, 2023)) (*SIM Swap and Port-Out Fraud Order*), which adds new information collection requirements. The *SIM Swap and Port-Out Fraud Order* adopted baseline measures to increase protections for customers against fraudulent port-outs by adding new § 52.37 in Part 52, and adds new information collection requirements in paragraphs (c), (d), (e), and (g) of that rule. Port-out fraud occurs where a bad actor impersonates a customers of a wireless provider and convinces the provider to port the real customer's telephone number to a new wireless provider and a device that the bad actor controls, allowing a bad actor to control the victim's mobile account and receive text messages and phone calls intended for the victim. The new rules establish a uniform framework that gives wireless providers flexibility to implement customer authentication and security methods to address port-out fraud. The *SIM Swap and Port-Out Fraud Order* modifies the existing Local Number Portability collection requirements to require wireless providers to: (1) immediately notify customers of any requests for a port-out request associated with the customer's account before effectuating the request; (2) provide customers with advance notice of any account protection measures offered; (3) offer all customers, at no cost, the option to lock or freeze their account to stop SIM change requests; and (4) maintain a clear process for customers to report fraudulent number ports, and promptly provide customers with documentation of fraudulent ports involving their accounts. Wireless providers are required to comply with the new or modified rules except where the Safe Connections Act requires alternate procedures to be used. The Commission required covered providers to comply with the rules adopted therein within six months after the effective date of the *Order,* or after review of the rules by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) is completed, whichever is later.

On January 15, 2025, OMB completed its review of the Commission's rules implementing the *SIM Swap and Port-Out Fraud Order.* Accordingly, compliance with the rules adopted by the Commission in that *Order,* 47 CFR 52.37, is required by December 18, 2026.

The Commission publishes this document as an announcement of the compliance date of 47 CFR 52.37 and to modify the text of this rule previously published at 88 FR 85794 (December 8, 2023), to incorporate this date and eliminate text referring to pending

approval of information collection requirements by OMB.

If you have any comments on the burden estimates listed below, or how the Commission can improve the collections and reduce any burdens caused thereby, please contact Nicole Ongele, Federal Communications Commission, 45 L Street NE, Washington, DC 20554. Please include the OMB Control Number, 3060–0742, in your correspondence. The Commission will also accept your comments via email at *PRA@fcc.gov.*

To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (Braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), send an email to *fcc504@fcc.gov* or call the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau at (202) 418–0530 (voice).

Synopsis

As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3507), the FCC is notifying the public that it received final OMB approval on January 15, 2025 for the information collection requirements contained in the modifications to the Commission's rules in 47 CFR 52.37. These actions allow the Wireline Competition Bureau to set the compliance dates for these rules and for the conforming changes to 47 CFR 52.37(h). It is therefore modifying the language of 47 CFR 52.37(h) to incorporate compliance dates and eliminate text referring to pending approval by OMB.

Under 5 CFR part 1320, an agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a current, valid OMB Control Number.

No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act that does not display a current, valid OMB Control Number. The OMB Control Number is 3060–0742.

The foregoing is required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13) October 1, 1995, and 44 U.S.C. 3507.

The total annual reporting burdens and costs for the respondents are as follows:

OMB Control Number: 3060–0742.

OMB Approval Date: January 15, 2025.

OMB Expiration Date: January 31, 2028.

Title: Sections 52.21 through 52.37, Telephone Number Portability (47 CFR part 52, subpart C) and CC Docket No. 95–116.

Form Number: N/A.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit entities.

Number of Respondents and Responses: 1,626 respondents; 13,672,650 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: 0.067 hour–100 hours (on average).

Frequency of Response: On occasion and one-time reporting requirements, recordkeeping requirement, and third party disclosure requirement.

Obligation to Respond: Required to obtain or retain benefits. Statutory authority for this information collection is contained in 47 U.S.C. 151, 152, 154(i), 201–205, 215, 251(b)(2), 251(e)(2) and 332 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

Total Annual Burden: 840,235 hours.

Total Annual Cost: $15,000,000.

Needs and Uses: Section 251(b)(2) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, requires LECs to ''provide, to the extent technically feasible, number portability in accordance with requirements prescribed by the Commission.'' Through the LNP process, consumers have the ability to retain their phone number when switching telecommunications service providers, enabling them to choose a provider that best suits their needs and enhancing competition. In the Porting Interval Order and Further Notice, the Commission mandated a one business day porting interval for simple wireline-to-wireline and intermodal port requests. The information collected in the standard local service request data fields is necessary to complete simple wireline-to-wireline and intermodal ports within the one business day porting interval mandated by the Commission and will be used to comply with Section 251 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

On November 16, 2023, the FCC released a *Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking* (88 FR 85794 (Dec. 8, 2023)) (*SIM Swap and Port-Out Fraud Order*), which adds new information collection requirements. The *SIM Swap and Port-Out Fraud Order* adopted baseline measures to increase protections for customers against fraudulent port-outs by adding new section 52.37 in Part 52, and adds new information collection requirements in paragraphs (c), (d), (e), and (g) of that rule. Port-out fraud occurs where a bad actor impersonates a customers of a wireless provider and convinces the provider to port the real customer's telephone number to a new wireless provider and a device that the bad actor controls, allowing a bad actor to control the victim's mobile account and receive text messages and phone calls intended for the victim. The new rules establish a uniform framework that gives wireless providers flexibility to implement customer authentication and security methods to address port-out fraud. The *SIM Swap and Port-Out Fraud Order* modifies the existing Local Number Portability collection requirements to require wireless providers to: (1) immediately notify customers of any requests for a port-out request associated with the customer's account before effectuating the request; (2) provide customers with advance notice of any account protection measures offered; (3) offer all customers, at no cost, the option to lock or freeze their account to stop SIM change requests; and (4) maintain a clear process for customers to report fraudulent number ports, and promptly provide customers with documentation of fraudulent ports involving their accounts. Wireless providers are required to comply with the new or modified rules except where the Safe Connections Act requires alternate procedures to be used.

List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 52

Communications, Communications common carriers, Telephone.

Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene Dortch,

Secretary, Office of the Secretary.

Final Rules

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Federal Communications Commission amends 47 CFR part 52 as follows:

PART 52—NUMBERING

■ 1. The authority citation for part 52 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 47 U.S.C. 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 201–205, 207–209, 218, 225–227, 227b–1, 251–252, 271, 303, 332, unless otherwise noted.

■ 2. Amend § 52.37 by revising paragraph (h) to read as follows:

§ 52.37 Number Portability Requirements for Wireless Providers.

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(h) Compliance with this section is required by December 18, 2026.

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