

published at 83 FR 42980–981 (August 24, 2018). Members of the public desiring specific information concerning an ongoing matching activity may request a copy of the applicable computer matching agreement at the address provided above.

PARTICIPATING AGENCIES:

IRS.

AUTHORITY FOR CONDUCTING THE MATCHING PROGRAM:

The Internal Revenue Service must safeguard information to ensure that it is kept confidential as required by the Internal Revenue Code, the Privacy Act of 1974, the Bank Secrecy Act, Title 18 of the United States Code, the Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA), and other applicable laws that require safeguarding of information. Sending confidential information without sufficient protection is a violation of IRS security policy. This matching program will assist the IRS in ensuring that sensitive information is properly protected from unauthorized use or disclosure.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this program is to detect and deter breaches of security policy by IRS employees, contractors, or other individuals who have been granted access to IRS information or to IRS equipment and resources, who send electronic communications in an insecure, unencrypted manner.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS:

IRS employees, contractors, or other individuals who have been granted access to IRS information, equipment, and resources.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS:

IRS will use any or all of the data elements in the listed systems of records to the extent necessary to accomplish a computer match. Data elements include, but not limited to, employee name, Social Security Number (SSN), employee number, address, email addresses; employee spouse's name, SSN, address; taxpayer name, Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN), address, tax return/account information, taxpayer entity information, including prior and current name; electronic transmission specifics, internet Protocol (IP) Address, computer machine name, terminal identification; general personnel and payroll records, etc. The information generated and/or obtained during these computer matches will be used by IRS employees in the performance of their official responsibilities. Access to this information is limited to those

individuals who have a need to know the information in the performance of their official duties. These individuals are subject to criminal and civil penalties for the unauthorized inspection and/or disclosure of this information. During the execution of this program of computer matches and the resultant analyses or investigations, the records used may be duplicated by IRS employees only for use in performing their official duties. The information collected or generated as part of this program of computer matches may only be disclosed in accordance with the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552a, 26 U.S.C. 6103, and any other applicable Federal privacy provisions.

SYSTEM(S) OF RECORDS:

The following systems of records maintained by the IRS and the Department of the Treasury Offices may be utilized:

1. Correspondence Files and Correspondence Control Files [Treasury/IRS 00.001]
2. Correspondence Files: Inquiries About Enforcement Activities [Treasury/IRS 00.002]
3. Employee Complaint and Allegation Referral Records [Treasury/IRS 00.007]
4. Taxpayer Advocate Service and Customer Feedback and Survey Records [Treasury/IRS 00.003]
5. Third Party Contact Records [Treasury/IRS 00.333]
6. Stakeholder Relationship Management and Subject Files [Treasury/IRS 10.004]
7. Volunteer Records [Treasury/IRS 10.555]
8. Annual Listing of Undelivered Refund Checks [Treasury/IRS 22.003]
9. File of Erroneous Refunds [Treasury/IRS 22.011]
10. Foreign Information System (FIS) [Treasury/IRS 22.027]
11. Individual Microfilm Retention Register [Treasury/IRS 22.032]
12. Subsidiary Accounting Files [Treasury/IRS 22.054]
13. Automated Non-Master File (ANMF) [Treasury/IRS 22.060]
14. Information Return Master File (IRMF) [Treasury/IRS 22.061]
15. Electronic Filing Records [Treasury/IRS 22.062]
16. CADE Individual Master File (IMF) [Treasury/IRS 24.030]
17. CADE Business Master File (BMF) [Treasury/IRS 24.046]
18. Audit Underreporter Case File [Treasury/IRS 24.047]
19. Acquired Property Records [Treasury/IRS 26.001]
20. Lien Files [Treasury/IRS 26.009]

21. Offer in Compromise Files [Treasury/IRS 26.012]
22. Trust Fund Recovery Cases/One Hundred Percent Penalty Cases [Treasury/IRS 26.013]
23. Record of Seizure and Sale of Real Property [Treasury/IRS 26.014]
24. Taxpayer Delinquent Account (TDA) Files [Treasury/IRS 26.019]
25. Taxpayer Delinquency Investigation (TDI) Files [Treasury/IRS 26.020]
26. Identification Media Files System for Employees and Others Issued IRS Identification [Treasury/IRS 34.013]
27. Security Clearance Files [Treasury/IRS 34.016]
28. Automated Background Investigations System [Treasury/IRS 34.022]
29. Audit Trail and Security Records [Treasury/IRS 34.037]
30. Treasury Payroll and Personnel System [Treasury/DO.001]
31. Treasury Child Care Tuition Assistance Records [Treasury/DO.003]
32. Public Transportation Incentive Program Records [Treasury/DO.005]
33. Treasury Financial Management Systems [Treasury/DO.009]

Ryan Law,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Privacy, Transparency, and Records.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Survey of U.S. Ownership of Foreign Securities as of December 31, 2020

AGENCY: Departmental Offices, Office of the Assistant Secretary for International Affairs, Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of reporting requirements.

SUMMARY: By this Notice, the Department of the Treasury is informing the public that it is conducting a mandatory survey of ownership of foreign securities by U.S. residents as of December 31, 2020. This Notice constitutes legal notification to all United States persons (defined below) who meet the reporting requirements set forth in this Notice that they must respond to, and comply with, this survey. The reporting form SHCA (2020) and instructions may be printed from the internet at: <https://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/data-chart-center/tic/Pages/forms-shc.aspx>.

Please note that when the TIC website is revised, the URL will be: <https://home.treasury.gov/data/treasury-international-capital-tic-system-home-page/tic-forms-instructions/forms-shc>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Definition: Pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 3102(3) and (4): A person means any individual, branch, partnership, associated group, association, estate, trust, corporation, or other organization (whether or not organized under the laws of any State), and any government (including a foreign government, the United States Government, a State or local government, and any agency, corporation, financial institution, or other entity or instrumentality thereof, including a government-sponsored agency); and a United States person means any person resident in the United States or subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.

Who Must Report: The reporting panel is based upon the data submitted for the 2016 Benchmark survey and the June 2020 TIC report “Aggregate Holdings of Long-Term Securities by U.S. and Foreign Residents” (TIC SLT). Entities required to report will be contacted individually by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. Entities not contacted by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York have no reporting responsibilities.

What To Report: This report will collect information on holdings by U.S. residents of foreign securities, including equities, long-term debt securities, and short-term debt securities (including selected money market instruments).

How To Report: Copies of the survey forms and instructions, which contain complete information on reporting procedures and definitions, may be obtained at the website address given above in the Summary. Completed reports can be submitted electronically via email at SHC.help@ny.frb.org. Inquiries can be made to the survey staff of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York at (212) 720-6300 or email: SHC.help@ny.frb.org. Inquiries can also be made to Dwight Wolkow at (202) 622-1276, email: comments2TIC@do.treas.gov.

When To Report: Data must be submitted to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, acting as fiscal agent for the Department of the Treasury, by March 5, 2021.

Paperwork Reduction Act Notice: This data collection has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act and assigned control number 1505-0146. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid control number assigned by OMB. The estimated average annual burden associated with this collection of information is 49

hours per respondent for end-investors and custodians that file Schedule 3 reports covering their foreign securities entrusted to U.S. resident custodians, 146 hours per respondent for large end-investors filing Schedule 2 reports, and 546 hours per respondent for large custodians of securities filing Schedule 2 reports. Comments concerning the accuracy of this burden estimate and suggestions for reducing this burden should be directed to the Department of the Treasury, Attention: Administrator, International Portfolio Investment Data Reporting Systems, Room 1050, Washington, DC 20220, and to OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Treasury, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Washington, DC 20503. In light of the current pandemic, please also email comments to Dwight Wolkow at: comments2TIC@do.treas.gov.

Heidi Cohen,

Federal Register Liaison.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Cost of Living Adjustments for Service-Connected Benefits

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: As required by the Veterans’ Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2020, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is hereby giving notice of adjustments in certain benefit rates. These adjustments affect the compensation program.

DATES: These adjustments became effective on December 1, 2020, the date provided by Public Law 116-178.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jessica Pierce, Policy and Procedures Staff, Compensation Service, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, 202-461-9700. (This is not a toll-free telephone number.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 2 of Public Law 116-178 provides for an increase in each of the rates in sections 1114, 1115(1), and 1162 of title 38, United States Code. VA is required to increase these benefit rates by the same percentage as increases in the benefit amounts payable under title II of the Social Security Act. The increased rates are required to be published in the **Federal Register**.

The Social Security Administration has announced that there will be a 1.3 percent cost-of-living increase in Social Security benefits for 2021. Therefore, applying the same percentage, the following rates for VA’s compensation program became effective on December 1, 2020:

| Disability evaluation percent | Monthly rate |
|---|---------------------|
| Disability Compensation [38 U.S.C. 1114] | |
| 10 | \$144.14. |
| 20 | 284.93. |
| 30 | 441.35. |
| 40 | 635.77. |
| 50 | 905.04. |
| 60 | 1,146.39. |
| 70 | 1,444.71. |
| 80 | 1,679.35. |
| 90 | 1,887.18. |
| 100 | 3,146.42. |
| (38 U.S.C. 1114(k) through (t)): | |
| 38 U.S.C. 1114(k) | 111.74. |
| 38 U.S.C. 1114(l) | 3,915.14. |
| 38 U.S.C. 1114(m) | 4,320.76. |
| 38 U.S.C. 1114(n) | 4,915.17. |
| 38 U.S.C. 1114(o) | 5,493.95. |
| 38 U.S.C. 1114(p) | 5,493.95. |
| 38 U.S.C. 1114(r) | 2,356.48; 3,510.69. |
| 38 U.S.C. 1114(s) | 3,521.85. |
| 38 U.S.C. 1114(t) | 3,510.69. |
| Additional Compensation for Dependents [38 U.S.C. 1115(1)] | |
| 38 U.S.C. 1115(1): | |
| 38 U.S.C. 1115(1)(A) | 175.43. |
| 38 U.S.C. 1115(1)(B) | 303.90; 87.17. |
| 38 U.S.C. 1115(1)(C) | 117.32; 87.17. |
| 38 U.S.C. 1115(1)(D) | 140.79. |
| 38 U.S.C. 1115(1)(E) | 336.32. |
| 38 U.S.C. 1115(1)(F) | 281.57. |
| Clothing Allowance [38 U.S.C. 1162] | |
| | \$841.36 per year. |

Signing Authority

The Secretary of Veterans Affairs, or designee, approved this document and authorized the undersigned to sign and submit the document to the Office of the Federal Register for publication electronically as an official document of the Department of Veterans Affairs. Brooks D. Tucker, Assistant Secretary for Congressional and Legislative Affairs, Performing the Delegable Duties of the Chief of Staff, Department of Veterans Affairs, approved this document on December 3, 2020, for publication.

Luvenia Potts,

Regulation Development Coordinator, Office of Regulation Policy & Management, Office of the Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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