

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary****[Docket ID: DoD–2024–OS–0144]****Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records****AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary of Defense, Department of Defense (DoD).**ACTION:** Notice of a modified system of records.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, the DoD is modifying and reissuing a current system of records titled, “Pentagon Facilities Parking Program,” DWHS D04. This system of records was originally established to manage the Pentagon Facilities Parking Program for DoD civilian, military, and contractor personnel applying for and in receipt of Pentagon parking permits. Records are also used to ensure DoD military personnel and civilians are not in receipt of both an issued parking pass and mass transit benefits. This system of records is being updated to expand the categories of records collected. DoD is also updating the System of Records Notice (SORN) to add the standard DoD routine uses (routine uses A through J). Lastly, the DoD is also modifying various other sections within the SORN to improve clarity or update information that has changed.

DATES: This system of records is effective upon publication; however, comments on the Routine Uses will be accepted on or before January 22, 2025. The Routine Uses are effective at the close of the comment period.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by either of the following methods:

* *Federal Rulemaking Portal:* <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

* *Mail:* Department of Defense, Office of the Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Privacy, Civil Liberties, and Transparency, Regulatory Directorate, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Attn: Mailbox 24, Suite 05F16, Alexandria, VA 22350–1700.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the internet at <https://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeanette Whiten, Privacy and Civil Liberties Officer, Records and Declassification Division, (571) 372–0937, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Suite 02F09–02, Alexandria, VA 22350, whs.mc-alex.rsrmgmt.list.esd-osd-js-privacy-office-mbx@mail.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Background**

The Pentagon’s parking program is designed to manage the large number of vehicles belonging to employees, military personnel, and visitors who are authorized to park at the Pentagon Reservation (to include the Pentagon, Mark Center, and Suffolk Building). This system of records is being updated to expand the categories of records collected. Additionally, DoD is updating the SORN to add the standard DoD routine uses (routine uses A through J). Other sections of this SORN are being modified as follows: (1) System Manager and System Location sections to update the address and office name; (2) Authority for Maintenance of the System to update citation(s) and add additional authorities; (3) Categories of Records in the System to remove the social security number (SSN); (4) Policies and Practices for retrieval of Records to remove the SSN and add a data element; (5) Policies and Practices for Retention and Disposal of Records to update the retention period which the records are maintained; (6) Record Access Procedures to update the procedures for accessing the records; and (7) Contesting Record Procedures to update the appropriate citation for contesting records. Furthermore, this notice includes non-substantive changes to simplify the formatting and text of the previously published notice.

DoD SORNs have been published in the **Federal Register** and are available from the address in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** or at the Office of the Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Privacy, Civil Liberties, and Transparency (OATSD(PCLT)) website at <https://dpcl.d.defense.gov/privacy>.

II. Privacy Act

Under the Privacy Act, a “system of records” is a group of records under the control of an agency from which information is retrieved by the name of an individual or by some identifying number, symbol, or other identifying particular assigned to the individual. In the Privacy Act, an individual is defined as a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident.

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552a(r) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular No. A–108,

OATSD(PCLT) has provided a report of this system of records to the OMB and to Congress.

Dated: December 18, 2024.

Aaron T. Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

SYSTEM NAME AND NUMBER:

Pentagon Facilities Parking Program, DWHS D04.

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION:

Unclassified.

SYSTEM LOCATION:

Department of Defense (Department or DoD), located at 1000 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–1000, and other Department installations, offices, or mission locations. Information may also be stored within a government-certified cloud, implemented and overseen by the Department’s Chief Information Officer (CIO), 6000 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–6000.

SYSTEM MANAGER(S):

Chief, Parking Management Office, Washington Headquarters Services, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–1155.

AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

10 U.S.C. 113, Secretary of Defense; 10 U.S.C. 2674, Operation and Control of Pentagon Reservation and Defense Facilities in National Capital Region; DoD Directive 5105.53, Director of Administration and Management (DA&M); DoD Directive 5110.04, Washington Headquarters Services (WHS); Administrative Instruction 88, Pentagon Reservation Vehicle Parking Program.

PURPOSE(S) OF THE SYSTEM:

To manage the Pentagon Facilities Parking Program for DoD civilian, military, and contractor personnel applying for and in receipt of Pentagon parking permits. Records are also used to ensure DoD military personnel and civilians are not in receipt of both an issued parking pass and mass transit benefits.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

All DoD civilians, military, and contractors holding DoD parking permits, participating in DoD carpools, or are otherwise authorized to park at the Pentagon Reservation (to include the Pentagon, Mark Center, and Suffolk Building). This includes concessionaires and custodial workers who are authorized to park at Pentagon Facilities.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

Full name, DoD ID Number, work email address, rank/grade, work location, work telephone number, home address, vehicle registration, vehicle identification number, organizational affiliation, vehicle license plate number, state, assigned system number, and parking permit number.

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Individual.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

In addition to those disclosures generally permitted under 5 U.S.C. 552a(b) of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, all or a portion of the records or information contained herein may specifically be disclosed outside the DoD as a routine use pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(b)(3) as follows:

A. To contractors, grantees, experts, consultants, students, and others performing or working on a contract, service, grant, cooperative agreement, or other assignment for the Federal Government when necessary to accomplish an agency function related to this system of records.

B. To the appropriate Federal, State, local, territorial, tribal, foreign, or international law enforcement authority or other appropriate entity where a record, either alone or in conjunction with other information, indicates a violation or potential violation of law, whether criminal, civil, or regulatory in nature.

C. To any component of the Department of Justice for the purpose of representing the DoD, or its components, officers, employees, or members in pending or potential litigation to which the record is pertinent.

D. In an appropriate proceeding before a court, grand jury, or administrative or adjudicative body or official, when the DoD or other Agency representing the DoD determines that the records are relevant and necessary to the proceeding; or in an appropriate proceeding before an administrative or adjudicative body when the adjudicator determines the records to be relevant to the proceeding.

E. To the National Archives and Records Administration for the purpose of records management inspections conducted under the authority of 44 U.S.C. 2904 and 2906.

F. To a Member of Congress or staff acting upon the Member's behalf when the Member or staff requests the information on behalf of, and at the request of, the individual who is the subject of the record.

G. To appropriate agencies, entities, and persons when (1) the DoD suspects or confirms a breach of the system of records; (2) the DoD determines as a result of the suspected or confirmed breach there is a risk of harm to individuals, the DoD (including its information systems, programs, and operations), the Federal Government, or national security; and (3) the disclosure made to such agencies, entities, and persons is reasonably necessary to assist in connection with the DoD's efforts to respond to the suspected or confirmed breach or to prevent, minimize, or remedy such harm.

H. To another Federal agency or Federal entity, when the DoD determines that information from this system of records is reasonably necessary to assist the recipient agency or entity in (1) responding to a suspected or confirmed breach or (2) preventing, minimizing, or remedying the risk of harm to individuals, the recipient agency or entity (including its information systems, programs and operations), the Federal Government, or national security, resulting from a suspected or confirmed breach.

I. To another Federal, State or local agency for the purpose of comparing to the agency's system of records or to non-Federal records, in coordination with an Office of Inspector General in conducting an audit, investigation, inspection, evaluation, or some other review as authorized by the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended.

J. To such recipients and under such circumstances and procedures as are mandated by Federal statute or treaty.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORAGE OF RECORDS:

Paper file folders and electronic storage media.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR RETRIEVAL OF RECORDS:

Full name, assigned system number, work email address, parking permit number, and vehicle tag number.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR RETENTION AND DISPOSAL OF RECORDS:

Temporary. Cut off and destroy upon immediate collection once the temporary credential or card is returned for potential reissuance due to nearing expiration or not to exceed 6 months from time of issuance or when individual no longer requires access, whichever is sooner.

ADMINISTRATIVE, TECHNICAL, AND PHYSICAL SAFEGUARDS:

Records are maintained in controlled areas accessible only to authorized DoD personnel, including system users,

system administrators, and authorized contractors who have a need-to-know in the performance of official duties and who are properly screened and cleared. Physical entry is restricted by the use of locks, guards, identification badges, key cards and closed-circuit TV. Paper records are stored in locked cabinets in secured offices. Access to personal information is further restricted by the use of Common Access Card and user ID/passwords, intrusion detection system, encryption, and firewalls. Administrative procedures include periodic security audits, regular monitoring of users' security practices, methods to ensure only authorized personnel access to Personally Identifiable Information (PII) and encryption of back-up and recovery Standard Operating Procedures.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

Individuals seeking access to information about themselves contained in this system of records should address written inquiries to Office of the Secretary of Defense/Joint Staff, Freedom of Information Requester Service Center, Office of Freedom of Information, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-1155, Fax (571) 372-0500. FOIA website: <https://www.esd.whs.mil/FOID/Submit-Request>. Signed, written requests should include the name and number of this system of records notice, the case number (if available), date of request, title/subject of submitted document, or author's full name, current address, and email address of the individual. In addition, the requester must provide either a notarized statement or an unsworn declaration made in accordance with 28 U.S.C. 1746, in the appropriate format:

If executed outside the United States: "I declare (or certify, verify, or state) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on (date). (Signature)."

If executed within the United States, its territories, possessions, or commonwealths: "I declare (or certify, verify, or state) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on (date). (Signature)."

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

The DoD rules for accessing records, contesting contents, and appealing initial Component determinations are contained in 32 CFR part 310, or may be obtained from the system manager.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES:

Individuals seeking to determine whether information about themselves

is contained in this system of records should follow the instructions for Record Access Procedures above.

EXEMPTIONS PROMULGATED FOR THE SYSTEM:

None.

HISTORY:

October 20, 2010, 75 FR 64713;
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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Common Instructions for Applicants to Department of Education Discretionary Grant Programs

AGENCY: Office for Planning, Evaluation and Policy Development, Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice; revised common instructions.

SUMMARY: On December 7, 2022, the Department of Education (Department) published a revised set of common instructions for applicants seeking funds under a Department discretionary grant competition. In this notice, the Department is publishing a revised version of the common instructions that supersedes the version published on December 7, 2022.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kelly Terpak, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, room 4C212, Washington, DC 20202. Telephone: (202) 280–8472. Email: Kelly.Terpak@ed.gov.

If you are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability and wish to access telecommunications relay services, please dial 7–1–1.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: This document is a centralized and up-to-date set of instructions for applying to the Department's discretionary grant programs. Notices inviting applications (NIAs) will reference this document instead of providing this series of instructions within each NIA. If in the rare circumstance exceptions to these instructions are necessary, they will be noted in an individual competition NIA.

Revised Common Instructions:

The Department is making changes to the revised common instructions for applicants that were published in the **Federal Register** on December 7, 2022 (87 FR 75045), to make them clearer and more direct. The Department has also added guidance on the usage of Artificial Intelligence when applying to grant competitions.

The revised common instructions are:

Common Set of Instructions for Applicants:

Application and Submission Information

1. *Where to Find the Application Package:* You can obtain an application package from the Department's website or *Grants.gov*.

2. *Content and Formatting Requirements:* Requirements concerning the content and formatting of an application, together with the forms you must submit, are in the application package for the program located on *Grants.gov*.

3. *Unique Entity Identifier, Taxpayer Identification Number, and System for Award Management:* To do business with the Department, and to submit your application electronically using *Grants.gov*, you must—

a. Have a Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) and a Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN);

b. Be registered in the System for Award Management (*SAM.gov*), the Government's primary registrant database. Information about *SAM* is available at www.SAM.gov. To further assist you with registering in *SAM.gov* and getting a UEI or updating your existing *SAM* registration, see the Quick Start Guide for Grant Registrations and the Entity Registration Video at <https://sam.gov/content/entity-registration>;

c. Provide your UEI number and TIN on your application; and

d. Maintain an active *SAM* registration with current information while your application is under review by the Department and, if you are awarded a grant, during the project period.

If you are a corporate entity, agency, institution, or organization, you can obtain a TIN from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). If you are an individual, you can obtain a TIN from the IRS or the Social Security Administration. If you need a new TIN, please allow two to five weeks for your TIN to become active.

The *SAM* registration process usually takes approximately 7 to 10 business days, but may take longer, depending on the completeness and accuracy of the data you enter into the *SAM.gov* database. The Department recommends that you register early, at least 10 to 14 business days before the application deadline. If you are unable to submit an application on *Grants.gov* by the application deadline because you do not have an active *SAM* registration, you will not be considered for funding.

Note: Once your *SAM.gov* registration is active, it may be 24 to 48 hours before you can access the information in, and

submit an application through, *Grants.gov*.

If you are currently registered with *SAM.gov*, you may not need to make any changes. However, please make certain that the TIN associated with your UEI is correct.

Note: You must update your *SAM* registration annually. This may take three or more business days.

e. (1) Register as an applicant using your UEI number and (2) be designated by your organization's E-Biz Point of Contact as an Authorized Organization Representative (AOR). Details on these steps are outlined at the following *Grants.gov* web page: <https://grants.gov/register>.

4. *Submission Instructions:*
a. *Electronic Submission of Applications.*

The Department is participating as a partner in the Government-wide *Grants.gov* site. Submit applications electronically using *Grants.gov*. Do not email them unless explicitly allowed in a competition NIA.

You may access the electronic grant applications at www.grants.gov. You may search for the downloadable application package for the competition that you are interested in applying to by the Assistance Listing Number (ALN). Do not include the ALN's alpha suffix in your search (e.g., search for 84.184, not 84.184D).

A *Grants.gov* applicant must apply online using Workspace, a shared environment in *Grants.gov* where members of a grant team may simultaneously access and edit different web forms within an application. An applicant can create an individual Workspace for each application and establish, for that application, a collaborative application package that allows more than one person in the applicant's organization to work concurrently on an application. The *Grants.gov* system also enables the applicant to reuse forms from previous submissions, check forms in and out to complete them, and submit the application package. For further instructions on how to apply using *Grants.gov*, refer to: <https://grants.gov/applicants/grant-applications/how-to-apply-for-grants>.

Please note the following:

- *Assistance:* Applicants needing assistance with *Grants.gov* may contact the *Grants.gov* Support Center either by calling 1–800–518–4726 or by sending an email to support@grants.gov. The *Grants.gov* Support Center is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, except for Federal holidays. Applicants needing assistance from Principal Office staff with their applications should