# National Credit Union Administration: BSA Regulations

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#### Title 12: Banks and Banking

**Subchapter A: Regulations Affecting Credit Unions** 

PART 748—SECURITY PROGRAM, REPORT OF CRIME AND CATASTROPHIC ACT AND BANK SECRECY ACT COMPLIANCE

## § 748.1 Filing of reports.

- (a) Compliance report. Each federally insured credit union shall file with the regional director an annual statement certifying its compliance with the requirements of this part. The statement shall be dated and signed by the president or other managing officer of the credit union. The statement is contained on the Report of Officials which is submitted annually by federally insured credit unions after the election of officials. In the case of federally insured state-chartered credit unions, this statement can be mailed to the regional director via the state supervisory authority, if desired. In any event, a copy of the statement shall always be sent to the appropriate state supervisory authority.
- (b) Catastrophic act report. Each federally insured credit union will notify the regional director within 5 business days of any catastrophic act that occurs at its office(s). A catastrophic act is any natural disaster such as a flood, tornado, earthquake, etc., or major fire or other disaster resulting in some physical destruction or damage to the credit union. Within a reasonable time after a catastrophic act occurs, the credit union shall ensure that a record of the incident is prepared and filed at its main office. In the preparation of such record, the credit union should include information sufficient to indicate the office where the catastrophic act occurred; when it took place; the amount of the loss, if any; whether any operational or mechanical deficiency(ies) might have contributed to the catastrophic act; and what has been done or is planned to be done to correct the deficiency(ies).
- (c) Suspicious Activity Report. (1) Each federally-insured credit union will report any crime or suspected crime that occurs at its office(s), utilizing NCUA Form 2362, Suspicious Activity Report (SAR), within thirty calendar days after discovery. Each federally-insured credit union must follow the instructions and reporting requirements accompanying the SAR. Copies of the SAR may be obtained from the appropriate NCUA Regional Office.
- (2) Each federally-insured credit union shall maintain a copy of any SAR that it files and the original of all attachments to the report for a period of five years from the date of the report, unless the credit union is informed in writing by the National Credit Union Administration that the materials may be discarded sooner.
- (3) Failure to file a SAR in accordance with the instructions accompanying the report may subject the federally-insured credit union, its officers, directors, agents or other institution-affiliated parties to the assessment of civil money penalties or other administrative actions.
- (4) Filing of Suspicious Activity Reports will ensure that law enforcement agencies and NCUA are promptly notified of actual or suspected crimes. Information contained on SARs' will be entered into an interagency database and will assist the federal government in taking appropriate action. [50 FR 53295, Dec. 31, 1985, as amended at 53 FR 26232, July 12, 1988; 58 FR 17492, Apr. 5, 1993; 61 FR 11527, Mar. 21, 1996]

## § 748.2 Procedures for monitoring Bank Secrecy Act (BSA) compliance.

- (a) *Purpose*. This section is issued to ensure that all federally-insured credit unions establish and maintain procedures reasonably designed to assure and monitor compliance with the requirements of subchapter II of chapter 53 of title 31, United States Code, the Financial Recordkeeping and Reporting of Currency and Foreign Transactions Act, and the implementing regulations promulgated thereunder by the Department of Treasury, 31 CFR part 103.
- (b) Establishment of a BSA compliance program—(1) Program requirement. Each federally-insured credit union shall develop and provide for the continued administration of a program reasonably designed to assure and monitor compliance with the recordkeeping and recording requirements set forth in subchapter II of chapter 53 of title 31, United States Code and the implementing regulations issued by the Department of the Treasury at 31 CFR part 103. The compliance program must be written, approved by the credit union's board of directors, and reflected in the minutes of the credit union.
- (2) Customer identification program. Each federally-insured credit union is subject to the requirements of 31 U.S.C. 5318(1) and the implementing regulation jointly promulgated by the NCUA and the Department of the Treasury at 31 CFR 103.121, which require a customer identification program to be implemented as part of the BSA compliance program required under this section.
- (c) Contents of compliance program. Such compliance program shall at a minimum—
- (1) Provide for a system of internal controls to assure ongoing compliance;
- (2) Provide for independent testing for compliance to be conducted by credit union personnel or outside parties;
- (3) Designate an individual responsible for coordinating and monitoring day-to-day compliance; and
- (4) Provide training for appropriate personnel.

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