



Announcement

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REVISIONS TO BREWER'S REPORT OF OPERATIONS FORM (TTB F 5130.9) AND BREW PUB REPORT OF OPERATIONS (TTB F 5130.26)

TTB is seeking comments on its proposal to revise two forms, TTB F 5130.9, Brewer's Report of Operations, and TTB F 5130.26, Brewpub Report of Operations. We propose to revise both of these operations reports in order to reduce the burden on brewers, particularly small brewers.

Currently, TTB F 5130.26 is filed on a quarterly basis by those brewers who produce not more than 5,000 barrels per year and who do not bottle or keg beer for removal from their brewery. The more detailed TTB F 5130.9 is filed by all other brewers, typically on a monthly basis, although TTB regulations currently allow all brewers who produce less than 10,000 barrels per year to file a report of operations quarterly rather than monthly, regardless of which form applies.

To reduce the reporting burden on small brewers, we propose to allow brewers who produce less than 10,000 barrels per year to use TTB F 5130.26 to report quarterly. We also propose to change the name of that form from "Brewpub Report of Operations" to "Small Brewer's Report of Operations." In addition, on both forms, TTB proposes to remove two parts, "Part 2—Report Period Tax Payments" and "Part 3—Summary of Materials Used and Wort Produced," and to add instructions to the forms for filing them electronically through the "Pay.gov" system.

TTB estimates these changes will reduce the time it takes brewers to complete either form by 15 minutes. We also believe that the changes regarding TTB F 5130.26 will significantly increase its use, which would reduce a qualifying brewer's reporting requirements from 12 times a year to just 4.

For details concerning this proposal, including instructions on how and where to comment, see TTB's "[Proposed Information Collections; Comment Request](#)" notice in the Federal Register of Friday, November 9, 2012.

To see examples of the proposed revised forms, click on: [TTB F 5130.9, Brewer's Report of Operations](#), and [TTB F 5130.26, Small Brewer's Report of Operations](#).