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20 CFR Ch. II

Semiannual Agenda of Regulations Under Development or Review

AGENCY: Railroad Retirement Board.
ACTION: Semiannual regulatory agenda.

SUMMARY: This agenda contains lists of regulations that the Board is developing

or proposes to develop in the next 12 months and regulations that are scheduled to be reviewed in that period.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Regulations that are routine in nature or which pertain solely to internal agency management have not been included in the agenda.

Dated: March 8, 2005
 By Authority of the Board.

Beatrice Ezerski,
Secretary to the Board.

Railroad Retirement Board—Final Rule Stage

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identifier Number
3505	Reduction and Nonpayment of Annuities by Reason of Work	3220-AA61
3506	Determining Disability	3220-AB50
3507	Listing of Impairments—Appendix 1 to Part 220	3220-AB51
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3509	Application for Annuity or Lump Sum	3220-AB55

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Final Rule Stage

3505. REDUCTION AND NONPAYMENT OF ANNUITIES BY REASON OF WORK

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 45 USC 231f(b)(5)

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 230

Legal Deadline: Final, Statutory, September 2005.

Abstract: The Railroad Retirement Board amends 20 CFR part 230 to explain how employment or self-employment after an annuity beginning date may cause a reduction in, or nonpayment of, the annuity. It also reflects the changes in law made by the enactment of Public Law 106-182, the Senior Citizens' Freedom to Work Act of 2000.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/16/95	60 FR 42482
NPRM Comment Period End	09/25/95	60 FR 43999
Final Action	09/00/05	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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3506. DETERMINING DISABILITY

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 45 USC 231a; 45 USC 231f

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 220.143; 20 CFR 220.170

Legal Deadline: Final, Statutory, September 2005.

Abstract: The Railroad Retirement Board will amend 20 CFR sections 220.143 and 220.170 to index the

amount of earnings used to determine if an individual is engaged in substantial gainful activity (SGA) to any increase in the Social Security national average wage index, and to increase (from \$200 to \$530) the minimum amount of monthly earnings to count during a trial work period, and then to index that amount to the Social Security national average wage index.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	06/09/03	68 FR 34341
NPRM Comment Period End	08/08/03	
Final Action	09/00/05	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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3507. LISTING OF IMPAIRMENTS— APPENDIX 1 TO PART 220

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 45 USC 231a; 45 USC 231f

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 220.110; 20 CFR 220, app 1

Legal Deadline: Final, Statutory, September 2005.

Abstract: The Railroad Retirement Board amends 20 CFR 220.110 and appendix 1—Listing of Impairments, to conform the medical criteria that apply to disability determinations to the medical criteria in the Social Security Administration's regulations (20 CFR 404, subpart P, appendix 1).

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Interim Final Rule	12/00/05	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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3508. EMPLOYERS' CONTRIBUTIONS AND CONTRIBUTION REPORTS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 45 USC 345; 45 USC 362(l)

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 345.202 to 204

Legal Deadline: Final, Statutory, September 2005.

Abstract: The Railroad Retirement Board amends sections 345.202 to 204 of 20 CFR part 345 to explain the effective date of consolidated employer

records that result in the issuance of a joint contribution rate under the "experience rating" provisions of section 8 of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act. The amendment will also incorporate a nomenclature change due to an agency reorganization.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	06/14/04	69 FR 32927
NPRM Comment Period End	08/13/04	
Final Action	12/00/05	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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3509. APPLICATION FOR ANNUITY OR LUMP SUM

Priority: Other Significant

CFR Citation: 20 CFR 217.5; 20 CFR 217.6; 20 CFR 217.15 to 217.18

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Withdrawn	03/08/05	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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