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NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 20 January 2026, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the United States of America.

Title: Wireless Emergency Alerts and the Emergency Alert System

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Description: In this document, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) announces that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved a non-substantive change to the information collection associated with Wireless Emergency Alert (WEA) rules adopted in a Report and Order issued by the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau (Multilingual WEA Implementation Report and Order). These rules describe how commercial mobile service providers who participate in WEA (Participating CMS Providers) must implement multilingual templates for the most commonly issued and most time-sensitive types of alerts in English, the next thirteen most commonly spoken languages in the United States, and American Sign Language (ASL). Specifically, Participating CMS Providers shall support the pre-scripted templates published in [90 FR 57288](#) (notified as [G/TBT/N/USA/2120/Add.1](#); text accessible at <https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/DA-25-12A1.pdf>) for eighteen emergency events. For

¹ This information can be provided by including a website address, a pdf attachment, or other information on where the text of the final/modified measure and/or interpretive guidance can be obtained.

English and the thirteen written languages, Participating CMS Providers must support the inclusion of four fillable elements that customize the pre-scripted alert templates: the name of the sending agency, the location pertaining to the alert message, the time when the emergency conditions described in the alert are expected to end, and an optional URL. When an alert originator sends a non-English template message, Participating CMS Providers must display the corresponding pre-scripted alert message in English after the non-English message.

Effective 12 June 2028. The amendments to 47 CFR 10.480 (amendatory instruction 2) and 47 CFR 10.500(e) (amendatory instruction 3), published at 90 FR 57288 on 10 December 2025, are effective on 12 June 2028.

91 Federal Register (FR) 2317, 20 January 2026; [Title 47 Code of Federal Regulations \(CFR\) Part 10](#):

<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2026-01-20/html/2026-00960.htm>

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<https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/DA-25-1078A1.pdf>

This final rule; announcement of compliance date is identified by PS Docket Nos. [15-91](#), [15-94](#) and [DA 25-12](#) and provides access to associated documents. The full text of this final rule; announcement of compliance date is available from the Commission's website at <https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/DA-25-1078A1.pdf>. The Docket Folders are available from the FCC's [Electronic Document Management System \(EDOCS\)](#) by searching the Docket Number. Comments ("filings") for this action are accessible in the Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) at [https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/search/search-filings/results?q=\(proceedings.name:\(%2215-91%22\)\)](https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/search/search-filings/results?q=(proceedings.name:(%2215-91%22))).
