



FEDERAL INVESTIGATIONS NOTICE (FIN) 20-01

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Subject: Revised Standard Form 85P Implementation

In December 2017, the Office of Management and Budget approved the revised version of the Standard Form (SF) 85P, *Questionnaire for Public Trust Positions*. The Defense Counterintelligence and Security Agency (DCSA) is pleased to announce that the revised SF 85P will be available in the Electronic Questionnaires for Investigations Processing (e-QIP) system on March 15, 2020.

The SF 85P revisions include expanded or branching questions that allow applicants to provide more complete and accurate information regarding their backgrounds. The questions expand based on the applicant's response, asking for more detailed information in such areas as foreign travel, criminal records, and credit history. The updates to the 85P align with the 2012 Federal Investigative Standards (FIS) and reform goals to speed the investigation process by ensuring the information collected from applicants is more complete and accurate during the upfront processing phase.

Included in this implementation is the introduction of the new Tier 2 (T2) and Tier 2 Reinvestigation (T2R) case type products. The below prices will be effective until further notice:

Case Type		Case Type Code	Case Service	
			Standard	Priority
T2	Tier 2	55	\$536	\$579
T2R	Tier 2 Reinvestigation	56	\$247	\$267

Note: A \$1,014 Expanded Coverage Fee will be applied to T2 and T2R case types when a TESI is required and completed. With the implementation of the 2017 85P form, the Tier 2 with Subject Interview (T2S; Case Type 57) and Tier 2 Reinvestigation with Subject Interview (T2RS; Case Type 58) will no longer be available to request on new initiations of the form. For more information on our full line of products and rates, please visit https://www.dcsa.mil/mc/pv/gov_hr_security/.

Investigations initiated using the 1995 version of the 85P, prior to implementation of the 2017 version, will be processed through the e-QIP system and accepted by DCSA for scheduling, until July 31, 2020. Requests for T2 level investigations, submitted using the 1995 version of the 85P, will continue to require the agency to also provide Additional Questions for Public Trust Positions form.

To assist in the transition to the new SF 85P, DCSA updated the *Requesting Personnel Investigations via e-QIP* section of its website at: https://www.dcsa.mil/mc/pv/gov_hr_security/requesting_pi_via_eqip/



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PDF Fillable Form:

The updated PDF fillable version of the form is also available. This version of the form will be published on the Office of Personnel Management forms website. As a reminder, DCSA does not accept paper or hardcopy submission requests on the SF 85P. All customer agencies for DCSA must use the e-QIP submission process.

If you need additional information about the revised SF85P implementation, please contact your Agency Liaison at 724-794-5612.

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