



UNITED STATES OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Federal Investigative Services

Federal Investigations Notice

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SUBJECT: Social Security Number National Agency Check

In Spring 2012, the Office of Personnel Management (OPM), Federal Investigative Services (FIS), will implement the Social Security Number (SSN) search as a new National Agency Check (NAC) item. The SSN search will be conducted as a standard item on all investigations requested with the Standard Form (SF) 86 and will search records regarding the subject of the investigation only. The SSN search will be implemented on SF 85P and SF 85 investigations at a later date as the investigative questionnaires are renewed.

The purpose of the SSN search is for SSN verification and may help to identify falsification, identity fraud, and/or identity theft issues associated with the subject of investigation. OPM-FIS will submit to the Social Security Administration (SSA) the subject’s SSN, name, and date of birth (DOB). SSA’s Enumeration Verification System (EVS) will verify that the given SSN is assigned to the individual whose name and DOB is submitted. SSA will also identify any discrepancies between the EVS data and the reported SSN, name, and DOB. EVS will also report whether the reported information is identified with a person who is deceased.

The SSN NAC will be shown in the investigation as the M0 item on the Case Closing Transmittal (CCT). If SSA identifies no discrepancy and verifies the OPM submitted subject information, acceptable (AC) will be indicated on the CCT and there will not be a separate report of investigation. If verification Codes 1, 4, 5, or 6 is returned, or if a death indicator is present, the CCT will reflect issue (IS), and a report of investigation will be included with the investigative results.

SSA EVS will return the following results to OPM:

Verification Codes returned from SSA

Blank	SSN verified on name and DOB
1	SSN not in file (impossible/never issued to anyone, or no SSN found if all 000’s submitted)
4	Name matches, DOB does not
5	Name does not match, DOB not checked
6	SSN not verified; other reasons

Death Indicator returned from SSA

Y	Death information is present
N	Death information is not present

Please note that the SSN NAC will not be offered at this time via the Special Agency Check (SAC) product because of SSA's requirement that OPM-FIS must have the subject of investigation's Standard Form 86, General Release on file to run the search. For more information regarding investigations requested with the SF 86, please reference the INV 15, "Requesting OPM Personnel Investigations" at <http://www.opm.gov/Investigate>. If you have any questions relating to the SSN NAC check, please contact your Federal Investigative Services, Agency Liaison at (724) 794-5612.



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