



## Aviation Alert from Hardy Law

Two Important Deadlines Approaching

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Dear Joe,

Two important aviation deadlines are fast approaching:

First, the FAA's new aircraft re-registration requirements are about to impact a lot of owners! The deadline for the first round of re-registration is March 31.

Second, the DOT has proposed a rule that will severely limit the ability of operators to block the public from viewing their real-time flight information online. The deadline for commenting on that rule is April 4.

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### Aircraft Re-Registration Deadline March 31

The first deadline to re-register aircraft under the new FAA requirements enacted in 2010 is March 31, 2011. If your current aircraft registration was issued in March of *any* year, you must re-register by March 31. If you don't, your registration will expire and you may not operate your aircraft in U.S. airspace.

The new re-registration requirements, and continuing 3-year renewal process, is meant to keep better track of aircraft owner information and clear FAA records of old, unused registration information. Before the new rule, aircraft registrations were issued without an expiration date.



## BARR Comment Deadline April 4

The Block Aircraft Registration Request (BARR) program has enabled aircraft operators for years to block commercial vendors from displaying their flight information-real time-on public internet sites.

BARR proponents argue that allowing public display of their flights poses a safety risk and exposes sensitive, even confidential, business information. Critics argue that public access helps prevent unethical or illegal use of aircraft.

Currently, an operator can block its flights for any or no reason (typically for the reasons noted above). The U.S. Department of Transportation has issued a proposed rule to allow operators to block their flights only if there exists a "Valid Security Concern", which is defined as "a verifiable threat to person, property or company, including a threat of death, kidnapping or serious bodily harm against an individual, a recent history of violent terrorist activity in the geographic area in which the transportation is provided, or a threat against a company."

With its proposed rule, the DOT has also invited public comment. If you want to comment, you can do so online at <http://www.regulations.gov/#!submitComment;D=FAA-2011-0183-0001> or by mail (reference Docket FAA-2011-0183) to:

Docket Management Facility  
US Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE (Room W12-140)  
Washington, DC 20590

Or by fax to (202) 493-2251

Comments must be received by April 4.

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