



U.S. Customs and Border Protection

Advance Passenger Information System (APIS)

New Reporting Requirements Now in Effect for Passengers Arriving or Departing the United States by Private Aircraft

U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) has published the Advance Information on Private Aircraft Arriving and Departing the United States final rule.

Final rule states...

Private aircraft pilots or their designees must transmit electronically via the Electronic Advance Passenger Information System (eAPIS) to CBP the following information:

- Traveler manifest information for each individual traveling onboard the aircraft;
- Notice of arrival information; and/or
- Notice of departure information.

This data must be received by CBP no later than 60 minutes prior to departure for private aircraft flights arriving in or departing from the United States.

Final rule implementation...

Dec. 18, 2008–May 17, 2009

Voluntary compliance period

May 18, 2009

APIS manifest is required 60 minutes prior to flight departure

The Advance Passenger Information System final rule is available at www.cbp.gov/apis.

Electronic Advance Passenger Information System (eAPIS)

A component within the CBP public web site, eAPIS, will assist private flyers with the requirements of the new final rule for private aircraft. The eAPIS Web site is available at <https://eapis.cbp.dhs.gov>. The eAPIS site provides private pilots with all tools necessary to comply with the rule.

Private pilots or their designees may enroll in eAPIS immediately. Persons seeking accounts should expect responses within five business days after submission of the enrollment request.

For complete information on how to use eAPIS, there is an online tutorial available at <http://apps.cbp.gov/eAPIS-pa/>.