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Introduction

This user guide describes the process that individuals or company/organization points of contact (POCs) must follow to submit non-EPA personnel data through the EPA's Central Data Exchange (CDX) iBoard application for review and approval. This document covers CDX registration and how to successfully submit information through iBoard.

IMPORTANT

Each person submitting information through iBoard must have a unique CDX User ID and Password. Do **not** share your User ID or Password with anyone. And, do **not** use anyone else's User ID or Password.

It is recommended that personnel information be submitted via **web form**, because it is the most secure way to submit information. Web forms can be submitted individually or in groups of 15 or fewer. If your contract includes more than 15 individuals and you are the POC submitting everyone's information, simply make multiple group submissions.

The iBoard application shuts down after 20 minutes of inactivity. If a process is not completed when the application shuts down, information is lost and must be added again. The clock on the left of your screen shows you how much time remains.

If you have questions about the process or policies, please contact the Personnel Security Branch at **personnel_security@epa.gov**.

Questions related to the Central Data Exchange (CDX) can be directed to any of the following:

- Person-to-person telephone support is available from the CDX Help Desk Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Eastern time. Call toll free at 888-890-1995.
- Send an email to helpdesk@epacdx.net, with "Technical Support" in the subject line.
- Fax requests are accepted 24 hours a day at **703-227-4199**. Support personnel will respond to faxed requests Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Eastern time.



Scope

These procedures apply only to the process for bringing **non-EPA personnel** (contractors, grantees, etc.) on board at EPA.

Definitions

A number of terms used throughout this document are defined as follows:

EPA Contractor

An EPA Contractor is someone who is on a contract managed *directly* by the EPA. Each EPA contractor has an EPA Contracting Officer (CO) and an EPA Contracting Officer's Representative (COR).

Non-EPA Contractor

A Non-EPA Contractor works at/for the EPA on a contract managed by an agency *other than* EPA. (Neither the CO nor the COR work for EPA, so for iBoard/CDX purposes, use your EPA federal contact information.)

Non-EPA Personnel

Personnel who work for or at the EPA but <u>not</u> under a Standard Form 52 originated by the EPA (e.g., EPA contractors, non-EPA contractors, grantees, SEEs, volunteers, etc.).

Student Services Contractor

A Student Services Contractor works for the EPA and is considered to be the *only* person on the contract. (Each student has an EPA CO and an EPA COR).

SEE Program Member

Someone who works at the EPA through the Senior Environmental Employment (SEE) Program as an experienced individual who is lent to the EPA through a cooperative agreement with another organization. (The SEE Program Office is the COR.)

Volunteer

A volunteer completes services without payment from EPA or any outside agency/company. (Their EPA federal point of contact acts as the COR).

Intergovernmental Personnel Act (IPA) Agreements (e.g., ORISE Interns, Grantees, Others)

Some individuals work at the EPA by way of IPA agreements between the EPA and other federal or nonfederal organizations. Their EPA federal point of contact acts as the COR.

Contracting Officer (CO) / Grant Officer (GO) / Program Officer (PO) / SEE Monitor

The CO, GO, PO or SEE Monitor is the federal EPA employee who oversees the contract/grant process.

Contracting Officer's Representative (COR)

A COR manages the on-boarding process for non-EPA personnel and oversees their work at the EPA. He/she also sponsors those who are eligible for an EPASS badge.



Section 1: CDX and iBoard Registration for New Users

To access iBoard, you must be registered to use CDX:

- If you are already registered to use CDX, please advance to "<u>Section 2: Submitting Non-EPA</u> <u>Personnel Information</u>."
- If you have not yet registered for CDX, please go to this URL (<u>http://cdx.epa.gov/epa_home.asp</u>). Then follow the instructions below to complete your CDX and iBoard registrations.

Each user only has to register once.





1.2 Scroll through and read the	Contact Us
Terms & Conditions.	CDX Home » Terms & Conditions
	Terms & Conditions
	The access and use of CDX Registration for the electronic submittal of environmental information require the creation of a user ID and password that I must maintain and keep confidential. I will review the following steps concerning the creation and maintenance of a user ID and password.
	Warning Notice
	EPA's Central Data Exchange Registration procedure is part of a United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) computer system, which is for authorized use only. Unauthorized access or use of this computer system may subject violators to criminal, civil, and/or administrative action. All information on this computer system may be monitored, recorded, read, copied, and disclosed by and to authorized personnel for official purposes, including law enforcement. Access or use of this computer system by any person, whether authorized or unauthorized, constitutes consent to these terms.
	Privacy Statement
	EPA will use the personal identifying information which you provide for the expressed purpose of registration to the Central Data Exchange site and for updating and correcting information in internal EPA databases as necessary. The Agency will not make this information available for other purposes unless required by law. EPA does not sell or otherwise transfer personal information to an outside third party. [Federal Register: March 18, 2002 (Volume 67, Number 52)][Page 12010-12013]
Take special note of the	Choosing a CDX Password
requirement for and	
characteristics of the	For CUX registration purposes, I agree to select a password which will not be easily guessed (e.g., my name, my children's names, birthdays, etc.). Passwords must be a minimum of 8 alpha-numeric characters (no spaces or special characters) and contain at least 1 of each of the following:
password you must create.	uppercase character lowercase character number
	Passwords may not begin with a number nor contain the word "password" nor contain your User Name.
	Protecting my CDX Password
	l agree to protect my CDX password.
	I will not divulge my password to any other individual; I will not store it in an unprotected location; and I will not allow it to be written into computer scripts to achieve automated login.
	Limited CDX Software Distribution
	Any distribution of software provided by the Environmental Protection Agency's Central Data Exchange shall be handled according to any defined license practices.
	CDX provides tools which contains FIPS-validated RSA BSAFE Crypto-J which is classified under Export Commodity Classification Number (ECCN) 5D002 "Encryption Sofware" referenced under CCATS G059799. This product is eligible for license exception ENC under Sections 740.17 (A) and (B) (2) of the Export Administration Regulations (EAR). The exportation of this item classified by the Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) as 5D002 "Unrestricted" to foreign subsidiaries of US companies is permitted under this license exception ("ENC "Encryption"). This license exception does not apply to the embargoed nations of Cuba, Iran, North Korea, Sudan and Syria or any parties found on the various government denial lists including the Department of Commerce Denied Parties List. For additional information and guidance regarding your use of this product, please refer to the United States' standard regulations for encryption at http://www.access.gpo.gov/bis/ear/pdf/740.pdf
	Actions to take if my CDX Account has been Compromised
	If I have determined that my CDX account has become compromised, I agree to contact the CDX Technical Support staff at 888-890-1995 or (970) 494- 5500 for callers from Puerto Rico and Guam as soon as possible.
	Terminating my CDX Account
	I agree to notify CDX within ten working days if my duties change and I no longer need to interact with the CDX on behalf of my organization. I agree to make this notification via either the CDX web interface or by notifying the CDX Technical Support staff at 888-890-1995 or (970) 494-5500 for callers from Puerto Rico and Guam. This notification will allow CDX to deactivate my account and protect it from potential abuse by others.
Click the I Accept and Proceed buttons.	C I Accept I Decline Proceed Cancel



1.3 At the "CDX Registration" page, in the "Active Program Services List" search box, type **iBoard**.

> As you type, the iBoard link appears in the field below. Click the "**iBoard: EPA Internet On Boarding Application**" link.

Core CDX Registrati	on		Cont
1. Request Program Service	2. Request Role Access	3. Provide User and Organization Informat	tion 4. Confirmation
Begin typing a program service nar	ne or related keywords to filter th	e list of available services (e.g., air quality system, AQ	S, or Clean Air Act).
Active Program Service	es List		
neure rrogram serrie			

1.4 In the "Part 1: User Information" section, **type** the required information in fields noted with an asterisk: User ID, title, first name, last name, password, re-type password, and responses to security questions 1, 2 and 3.

Important Notes:

 Information on this page refers to *you*, not the EPA or your employer. You are creating your own unique User ID.

User ID *	minniemouse		
Title *	Ms		
First Name *	Minnie		
Middle Initial			
Last Name *	Mouse		
Suffix	-Please Select-		
Password *	••••••		
Re-type Password *		_	
Security Question 1 *	What street did you live on in third grade?	M	Pheasant Lane
Security Question 2 *	In what city does your nearest sibling live?	×	Oconomowoc
Security Question 3 *	What is your least favorite food?	~	rutabaga
Part 2: Organizatio	n Information		

- If the drop-down menu in the "Title" field doesn't work, it may mean that your User ID already is being used (error notations may appear in red and remain on the screen for a few moments). The more unique your User ID is, the less chance of this error. (e.g., "JohnSmith" would not be a good user ID as it is not sufficiently unique; perhaps add a meaningful number or word, such as "JohnSmithNFL.") If the problem persists, call the CDX Help Desk at 1-888-890-1995 or create another User ID.
- Your **password** must include at least 8 alpha-numeric characters: at least one must be uppercase, at least one must be lowercase, and at least one number must be used.
- Be sure to remember the User ID, Password, and Security Question Responses that you choose. You'll need to use them again.
- Each person submitting information through iBoard must have a unique CDX User ID and Password. Do **not** share your User ID or Password with anyone, and do **not** use anyone else's User ID or Password. For future reference, be sure to remember the User ID and Password you choose.

Upon completing the required fields, move to "Part 2: Organization Information" and click the **Search** button. (Note: Don't type anything in the text field adjacent to the Search button, just click **Search**.)



1.5 The following message appears: "Too many organizations found. Please refine your search using the advanced search below and try again."

> You do <u>not</u> need to refine your search; instead, click the "request that we add your organization" link. (The "Use advanced search" link often requires repeated attempts.)

n the table below.				
Organization Name	Address	City	State	ZIP Co
ny organizations found. Please refine you	ir search using the advanc	ed search bel	ow and try a	gain.
Jse advanced search or request that we	add your organization.			
	Urganization Name ny organizations found. Please refine you Jse advanced search or request that we	Organization Name Address ny organizations found. Please refine your search using the advance lse advanced search or request that we add your organization.	Urganization Name Address City ny organizations found. Please refine your search using the advanced search bel lse advanced search or request that we add your organization.	Urganization Name Address City State ny organizations found. Please refine your search using the advanced search below and try a Use advanced search or request that we add your organization.

1.6 In the "Part 2: Organization Information" section, type the required information in the fields marked with an asterisk.

Note: Please follow these guidelines when completing the "Organization Name" field. If you're a:

- **Contractor**, type the name of your employing company.
- Volunteer, Student Services Contractor, ORISE Intern or not affiliated with a company/organization, type your personal name.
- Grantee or with the Senior Environmental Employment (SEE) Program, type the name of the organization for which you work.

Click the **Submit Request for Access** button.

Part 2: Organizati	ion Information
Organization Name *	Cookie Company
Country *	
Mailing Address *	123 Yellow Brick Road
Mailing Address 2	
City *	Tornado Alley
State *	Kansas
ZIP/Postal Code *	12345
Email *	lande.linda@epa.gov
Re-enter Email *	lande.linda@epa.gov
Phone Number *	(202) 564-6654
Phone Number Ext	
Fax Number	
Back to Search Re	esults Submit Request for Access
Cancel	





1.9 At the Central Data Exchange log-in screen, complete the registration process by typing your **User ID** and **Password**.

Click the **Log in to CDX** button.



1.10 At the "Central Data Exchange" page, on the "My CDX" tab, click the EPA Internet On Boarding Application link. iBoard instructions continue at "Section 2: Submitting Non-EPA Personnel Information."





Section 2: Submitting Non-EPA Personnel Information Using iBoard

Personnel information can be added directly through iBoard (following instructions below).

Data can be submitted for individuals or groups of 15 or fewer. If your contract includes more than 15 individuals and you are the POC submitting everyone's information, simply make multiple group submissions. (**Note:** The iBoard application shuts down after 20 minutes of inactivity. If a process is not complete when the application shuts down, information is lost and must be added again.)

If you have questions, refer to contact information in the "Introduction."





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2.2 At the "Contract/Grant Submission" page, in the "Contract/Grant Information" and "Alternate Organization POC" sections, complete the fields marked with an asterisk (*).

> Notes: For help completing this information, please refer to the chart below.

If you don't know someone's email address, refer to Steps 2.3 and 2.4.

> Please note: The COR role may be fulfilled by a Project Officer (PO) or EPA Point of Contact (POC), depending on your personnel type.

> CO = Contracting Officer AO = Awarding Official COR = Contracting Officer's Representative

Contract/Grant Submi	ssion
 Organization Point Of Contact (POC The information below is from your CDX Regis incorrect, please update your CDX Registratio updated within the MyCDX link on the left-har more information on making these updates.) Information tration and will be passed on to EPA with your submission. If this information is n information prior to starting your submission. These details can only be id side of this screen or by the CDX Help Desk. Please visit the FAQ section for
First Name:	Linda
Last Name:	Lande
CDX UserId:	LINDALANDE
Organization Name:	XYZ
Email Address:	lande.linda@epa.gov
Phone Number:	2025646654
Extension:	
The information below is required for each sul Contract/Grant Number: * Re-Enter Contract/Grant Number: *	mmission. These details can be found on your EPA Contract/Grant Award Letter
EPA Contracting Officer (CO)/ Award Off	iicial (AO) Email: * Find 🧕
EPA Contracting Officer's Rep (COR) Em	ail: * Find 🧕
Alternate EPA COR Email: * Find 🞑	
-Alternate Organization POC	

Please provide an email address in the field below to have a second person at your company receive email notifications from EPA regarding your submission(s)

Alternate Organization POC Email: *
Re-Enter Alternate Organization POC Email: *

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Continue 📫

Personnel Type	What to use for Contract / Grant Number	CO / AO Information	COR / PO Information	"Alternate COR" Information	What to use for "Alt POC"
EPA Contractor	EPA contract number	EPA person in Conţracts	The EPA federal supervisor	Could also be the EPA federal supervisor	Name of contracting company supervisor
Student Services Contractor	EPA contract number	EPA person in Contracts	Your EPA federal supervisor	Could also be your EPA federal supervisor	Your name
Non-EPA Contractor	Contract number	The EPA federal contact	The EPA federal supervisor	The EPA federal employee contact	Name of COTR of non-EPA agency
Volunteer (enter as Grantee)	Your name	Your EPA monitor	Your EPA monitor	Your EPA monitor	Your name
SEE Program Member	Cooperative Agreement Number	Angela Hughes	Roxann Elmore	Angela Hughes	Your organization contact
Grants/ORISE Internship Program	Agreement number	EPA Program Office federal contact	Your EPA federal supervisor	EPA Program Office contact	Your agency/ organization contact
Non-EPA Federal Employee	Your Name	Your EPA Point of Contact	Your EPA Point of Contact	Your EPA Point of Contact	Your Agency Point of Contact



2.3	If you don't know someone's email address, click Find .	Contract/Gra The information Contract/Grau Re-Enter Con EPA Contracti EPA Contracti Alternate EPA	ant Information helow is required for e nt Number: * htract/Grant Number: ing Officer (CO)/ Awa ing Officer's Rep (CO A COR Email: * Find [ach submission. These details can ach su	be found on your EPA Contract/C	5rant Award Letter.
2.4	 The "Find EPA Employee" dialog box appears. Type the person's last name and first name. Click Find. Upon locating the email address, click Select to populate the field and return to the "Contract/Grant Submission" page. 	-Find EPA Em Last Name: * First Name: First Name Michael	ployee	Hart Michael Clear X I Find	Phone 202-566-1696	Page 1 Select
2.5	When all of the required fields on the "Contract/Grant Submission" page are complete, click the Continue button.	Contract/Gran	rant Information a below is required for e nt Number: * htract/Grant Number ing Officer (CO)/ Awa ing Officer's Rep (CC	each submission. These details car ; * ard Official (AO) Email: * Find	n be found on your EPA Contrac	t/Grant Award Letter.

Error messages appear on the screen if data does not pass the built-in validation. Simply correct the information and click **Continue**.

Alternate EPA COR Email: * Find 🥘

Alternate Organization POC

EPA regarding your submission(s). Alternate Organization POC Email: *

Please provide an email address in the field below to have a second person at your company receive email notifications from

Continue

Alternate POCs will receive copies of the email notifications. (Note: Before an organization's Alternate POC can submit information to iBoard, he/she must first complete CDX registration procedures.)

Re-Enter Alternate Organization POC Email: *



- 2.6 A pop-up message appears.
 - Submit personnel information "manually" (via iBoard web form) because it is the most secure way to submit information.



Manual submissions can be made for individuals or for groups of 15 or fewer. If your contract includes more than 15 individuals and you are the POC submitting everyone's information, simply make multiple group submissions.

Click Enter Non-Federal Employee Information Manually.

2.7 a. An iBoard web form appears. Complete the form with an individual's information. All fields with an asterisk (*) are required.

Error messages appear if data is not valid.

Notes

- Enter the individual's personal email address. Do NOT use a work email address or any other address to which recipients other than the individual would have access. EPA could be sending personal/sensitive information or requests via email that we do not want to share with unauthorized persons.
- "Birth State" is required if the "Birth Country" is the United States.
- If you don't know how to complete the "EPA Program Office," "IT Access," "Physical

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	individual non-Federal employees per submission.
SSN: *	
Personnel Type: *	
Legal First Name: *	
Legal Last Name: *	
Middle Initial:	
Suffix:	
Official Job Title: *	
Email Address: *	
EPA Program Office: *	
Work City and State: *	
Birth Date: *	
Birth City: *	
Rirth Country: *	
Birth State:	
Citizenship: *	
IT Access: *	
Physical Access: *	
Firearm Required: *	
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Access," or "Firearm Required" fields, contact your EPA federal supervisor.

When all required fields are complete, click Add.

Note: If you click "Back," you will lose all the information you just completed. That's why a warning pop-up box appears. The "Back" button takes you to the blank "Contract/ Grant Submission" page shown in step 2.2. You will have to re-enter contract information and personal information.

NOTE: If you notice an error in the information you have typed, it might be best to continue forward and click the "Edit" button later. That way you can correct the error without having to retype all the information.



- 2.8 If you are submitting only your personal information, your name should appear in the "Contract/ Grant Submission" table, as shown. Click Review.
 - If you are submitting • information for more than one person, the name of the individual whose information you just

Home Contracts/Grants History Downloads iBoard Help You are here: iBoard Home »Contract/Grant Submission							
If you would like to add another non-Federal employee CIICK here 🖷 Page							Page 1
First Name	Last Name 🗢	Email 🔺	Program Office			Actions	
Jane	Doe	doe.jane@epa.gov	OFFICE OF ADM	INISTRATION RESOU	RCES MANAGEMENT	Edit 📝	Remove 🗙
			Back	Review 🔶			

added should appear as shown.

- To add more individuals to the contract/grant, click the Click Here link. A new web 0 form appears.
- o If no more information is to be added, click **Review**.



Notes: If changes are necessary, click the "Edit" button. Make changes to the web form, click "Update," and then click the "Back" button on that page.

If a person's information is added erroneously, click "Remove" to delete the entry from the table. A pop-up warning appears; click **OK** to confirm the deletion.



2.9 The "Review Contract/Grant Manual Submission" page appears.

Scroll down the page to carefully review the information submitted.

- If changes are needed, click "Back." Then click the appropriate "Edit" button to make the necessary changes.
- If information is accurate, click **Submit**.

Home Contracts/Grants History Downloads iBoard Help	
You are here: iBoard Home Contract (Crant Submission Review	
Paview Contract/Crant Manual Cubmission	
Review Contract/Grant Manual Submission	
Organization Point Of Contact (POC) Information	
First Name:	Linda
Last Name:	Lande
CDX UserId:	LINDALANDE
Organization Name:	XYZ
Email Address:	lande.linda@epa.gov
Phone Number:	2025646654
Extension:	
Contract/Grant Information	
Contract/Grant Number:	4565
Contracting Officer (CO)/ Award Official (AO) En	nail: ross.jon@epa.gov
Contracting Officer's Rep (COR) Email:	johnson.tina@epa.gov
Alternate COR Email:	lande.linda@epa.gov
-Alternate Organization POC	
Alternate Organization POC Email:	brodie.jeremy@epa.gov
Non-Federal Employee Information (2 Non-Federal Employees)	
Non-Federal Employee 1	
SSN:	***-**-5555
First Name:	John
Last Name:	Smith
Middle Initial:	0
Suffix:	
Position:	Trainer
Email Address:	smith.john@epa.gov
Program Office:	OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION RESOURCES MANAGEMENT
Work City and State:	WASHINGTON - DC
Birth Date:	03/11/1958
Birth City:	Burtonsville
Birth Country:	UNITED STATES
Birth State:	MARYLAND
	US CITIZEN BY BIRTH
Physical Access:	TES VEC
Firearm Required	NO
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- "Processing" indicates the submission is in process; status will change to "Pending" when data is sent from CDX to the Personnel Security System (PSS).
- "Pending" indicates the submission is pending validation. Status will change to either "Completed" or "Failed" based on PSS validations.
- "Completed" indicates the submission successfully reached the EPA Personnel Security System.
- "Failed" indicates the submission contained errors or that the data delivery to PSS failed. Click the **details** link.