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Schools and Libraries Cybersecurity Pilot Program

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Deadline Reminders

Important form deadlines for the Pilot FCC Forms 470, 471, and 484 Part 2 are coming up.

August 18, 2025 – Deadline to submit the [Pilot FCC Form 470](#).

September 15, 2025* – Deadline to submit the [Pilot FCC Form 471](#) and [Pilot FCC Form 484 Part 2](#).

* Pilot participants who do not complete the Pilot FCC Form 471 and the Pilot FCC Form 484 Part 2 by the deadline will be subject to removal from the Pilot Program and will not be eligible to receive Pilot Program funding.

Upcoming Trainings and Resources

To prepare participants for form deadlines, USAC will host several live trainings on the Pilot FCC Forms 470, 471, and 484 Part 2. Register below to join the live webinars. Recordings will be made available on the Webinars webpage if you cannot attend.

Pilot FCC Form 470 Webinar

Tuesday, July 22, 2025 at 3 p.m. ET — [Register](#)

Pilot FCC Form 484 Part 2 Webinar

Tuesday, July 29, 2025 at 3 p.m. ET — [Register](#)

Pilot FCC Form 471 Webinar

Thursday, August 7, 2025 at 3 p.m. ET — [Register](#)

Be sure to reference the additional resources below as you prepare to submit your forms:

- [Pilot FCC Form 470 User Guide](#)
- [Pilot FCC Form 471 User Guide](#)
- [Pilot FCC Form 484 Part 2 User Guide](#)
- [FCC's Cybersecurity Pilot Program FAQs](#)
- [Previous Webinar Slides and Recordings](#)

Starting Services and Requesting Reimbursement

Pilot participants can start submitting requests for reimbursement as soon as they receive a Funding Commitment Decision Letter (FCDL) from USAC and have received the eligible cybersecurity services and/or equipment through the Pilot Program.

The earliest service delivery start date for the Pilot Program is March 18, 2025, i.e., the first day of the Pilot FCC

Form 471 application filing window. The last date to receive service is three years from the date of the first FCDL for each funding request number (FRN). See [47 CFR §§ 54.2001\(c\)](#) and [54.2008\(d\)](#). For month-to-month services, Pilot participants should use their actual service delivery start and end dates of the requested services on the Pilot FCC Form 471. For contracted services, Pilot participants should use their contracted start and end dates for the requested services and equipment on the form. For example, If the contract provides services will start on October 1, 2025, that should be your contracted service start date. For 36 months of services, the contracted service end date would be September 30, 2028.

Like in the E-Rate program, Pilot participants are required to pay the non-discounted share of the costs for the eligible services and equipment they purchase with Pilot Program funds. The percentage of the eligible costs that a Pilot participant is required to pay is based on the participant's discount percentage rate. See 47 CFR § 54.2007(b).

Reminder for Service Providers: File the FCC Form 498

Service providers participating in the Pilot Program must have a 498 ID number (also known as a Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN)). If a service provider wants to participate in the Pilot Program and does not have a 498 ID number/SPIN, the service provider will need to file an FCC Form 498 with USAC. The FCC Form 498 is used to collect remittance, payment, and contact information for service providers and request a 498 ID number/SPIN. Service providers must use the most current FCC Form 498 to revise their information or file for the first time.

Once a service provider files the FCC Form 498 for the first time, they will receive a 498 ID number/SPIN. The 498 ID number/SPIN is a unique nine-digit number assigned to service providers by USAC when an FCC Form 498 is filed. You may want more than one 498 ID number/SPIN if you have business units separated by state, type of service, or for other reasons, but you need at least one 498 ID number/SPIN to participate in the Pilot Program. For more information on the FCC Form 498, visit the [Service Providers Process](#) webpage.

USAC will host post-commitment and invoicing trainings and announce the dates for those trainings in an upcoming newsletter and on the Pilot Program webpage.

Downloading Documents from Open Data

Note regarding potential document download issues:

When accessing documents via [Cybersecurity Pilot FCC Form 470 Download Tool](#) links, some browsers may not automatically initiate downloads after clicking on the URL or a security flag may appear. This is due to changes in the criteria used by certain browsers to verify that the download is secure.

If download is not automatic, you can right click the URL, select "copy link address," and paste it in a new browser tab to initiate the download.

If a security flag appears, you can select "keep."

This information is available for reference on the [Cybersecurity Pilot FCC Form 470 Download Tool](#), above the filters bar.

Key Dates

March 18, 2025: Pilot FCC Form 471 application filing window opened.

August 18, 2025: Deadline to submit the Pilot FCC Form 470.

September 15, 2025: Pilot FCC Form 471 application filing window closes and deadline to submit the Pilot FCC Form 484 Part 2.

Stay Connected

USAC will share information, resources, and training opportunities throughout the Pilot Program. If you received this email, you are signed up for ongoing program outreach.

If you have additional contacts who you would like to receive information about trainings, program updates, and deadline reminders – or if this email was forwarded to you – please [sign up for program outreach](#). Please note that

signing up for email outreach will not change your contact settings in the E-Rate Productivity Center (EPC) or the Cybersecurity Pilot Program portal.

Need Help? Contact Us!

Call us at (888) 203-8100 Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. E.T. or submit a case in EPC.