Instructions for Submitting Express Reply Comments to the FCC

Item: Reviewing E-Rate Program and Student Screen Time

WC Docket Nos. 26-133; 13-184; 21-93; 21-455

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Introduction to the FCC's Item

- **On June 25, 2026, the FCC voted to advance proposed changes to E-Rate**

- **The First Section – Asks Questions:**
  - Narrowing or terminating E-Rate
  - Cutting urban areas out from E-Rate
  - The goals of the E-Rate program and whether Congress's intent has been achieved
  - Screen time and use of technology in schools
  - Filtering requirements under CIPA

- **The Second Section – Proposes Rules About:**
  - Oversight of consultants
  - Changes to current procedures, eligibility (MIBS, LCP, etc.)

Comment Timeline

- **Docket is OPEN**
  - The FCC's docket for this proceeding is currently OPEN

- **Filing Deadlines - We Don't Yet Know the Official Dates**
  - Deadlines:
    - **Replies: Due November 12, 2026**

Before You Get Started

- **Ensure that the document you are filing is in final form and includes all relevant information**
  - Dated, Indicates whether it is a “Reply Comment,” Name/Organization of the filer, Completed Signatory, Correct docket numbers listed

- **Ensure that you have all information to complete the submission form**
  - See slides below to know what pieces of information you’ll need to submit your filing (Name of filer, Address, E-Mail address, docket numbers)

Ready to File?

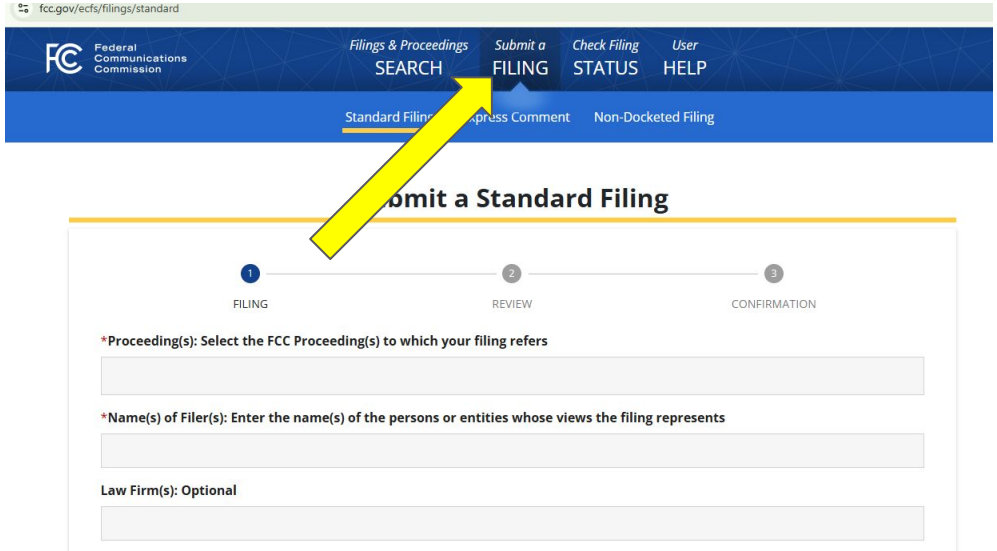
Follow the steps below

Step One: Go to the FCC's "Electronic Comment Filing System" to submit a filing

Go to the following URL to open the FCC's Elextronic Comment Filing System ("ECFS") webpage

https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/filings/express

This will bring you to the "Submit A Filing" webpage

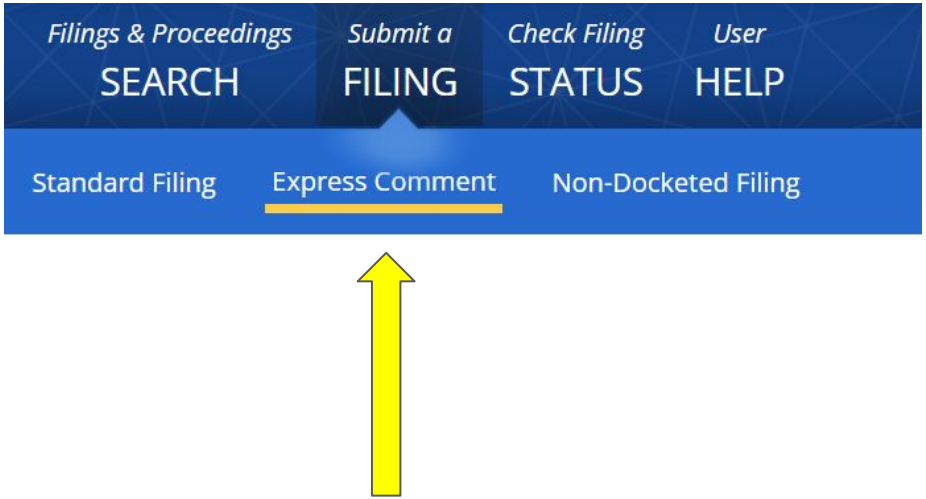


Step Two: Choose What Type of Filing You Want to Submit

The FCC provides two options for the public to provide input:

- "Standard Filing" or
- "Express Comment"

Choose "Express Comment" to type a short statement into a form.



Step Three: Complete the Required Fields

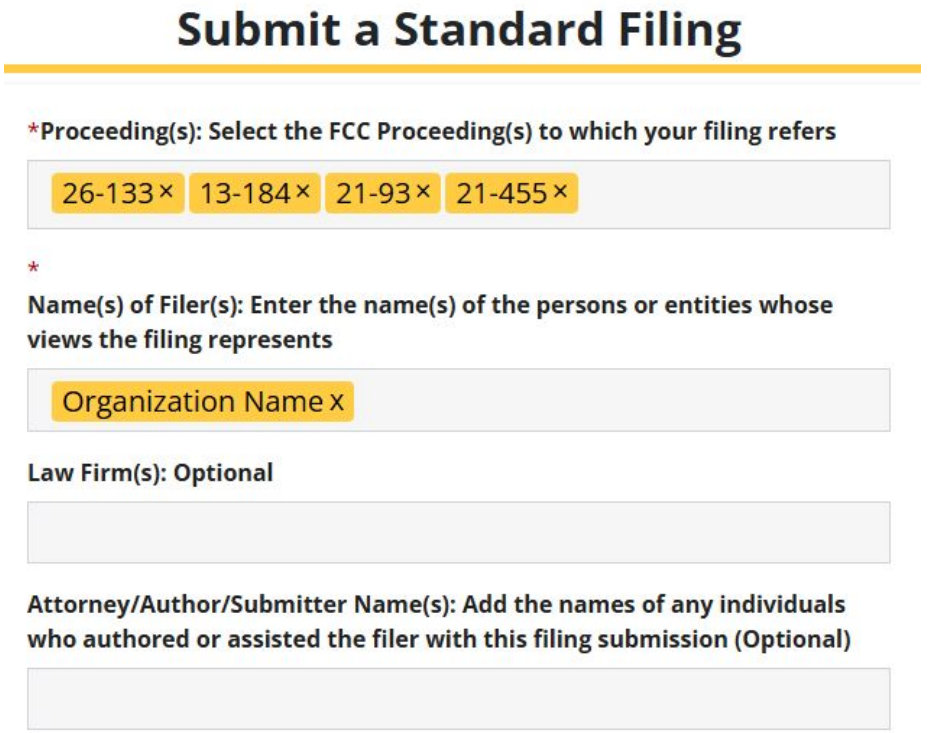
Once you've chosen "Express Comment," complete all REQUIRED fields (those marked with a red asterisk)

Proceedings:

- Type in the following set of numbers. Press "tab" after typing in each one.
  - **26-133**
  - **13-184**
  - **21-93**
  - **21-455**

Name(s) of Filer(s):

- Type in your name if you are filing as an individual. Type your organization's name if you are filing on behalf of your organization.

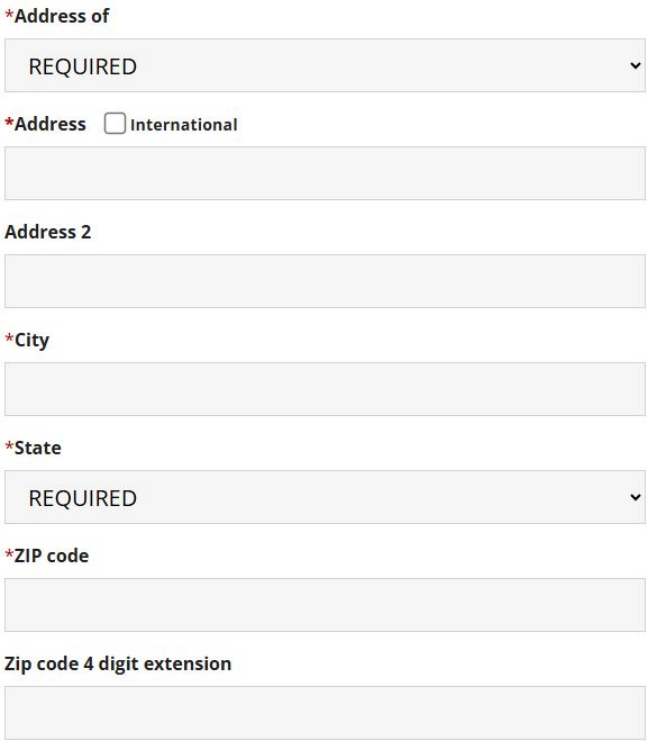


Complete the Required Fields (Cont'd)

Address:

- The next section requires address information. First, choose which address option you want:
  - **Address of: Choose one of three options (Filer, Law Firm, Author)**

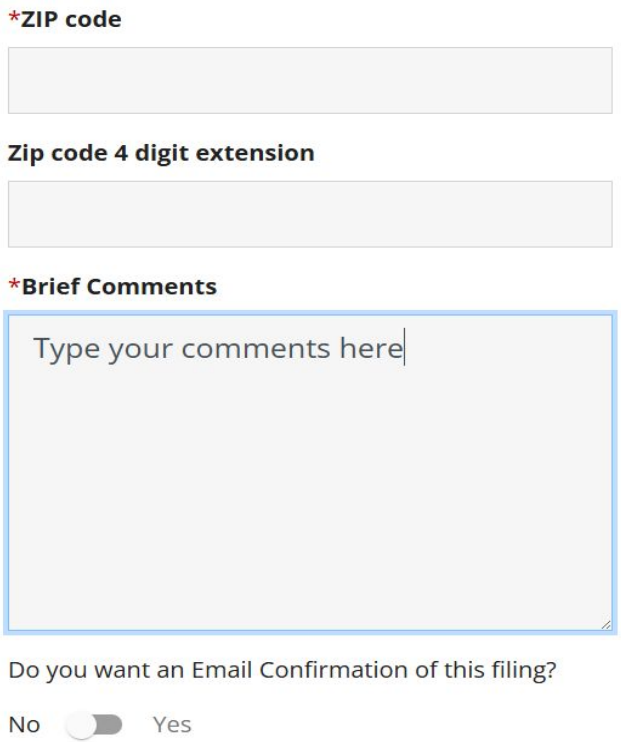
- Then, fill out the rest of the fields
  - **Address**
  - **City**
  - **State**
  - **Zip Code**



Step Four: Type Your Filing

Type Your Comment:

- After filling in all of the required information, type or paste your comment directly into the form under “Brief Comments.”



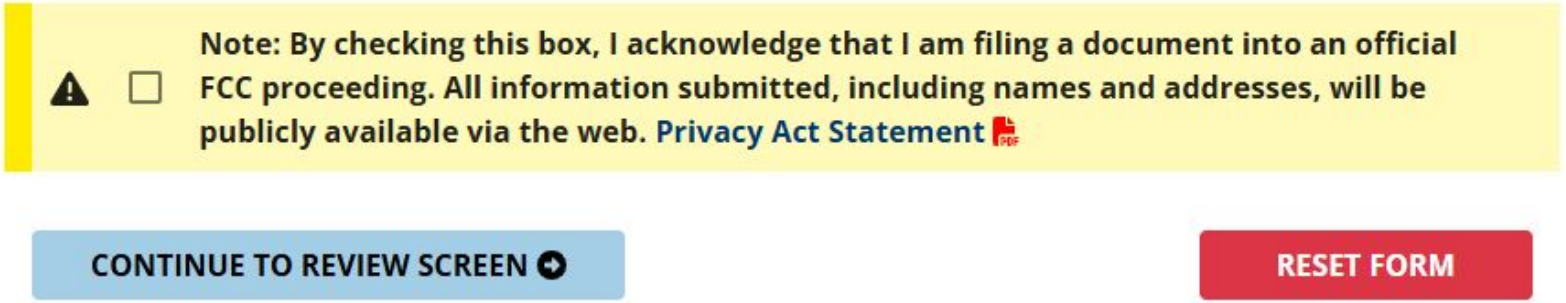
Step Five: Acknowledgement and Review

Complete the Acknowledgement:

- Once all of the fields are completed and you have typed or pasted in your comment, complete the acknowledgement by checking the “box”

Continue to Review Screen:

- Click “Continue to Review Screen”



Step Six: Review and Submit Your Filing

Proofread:

- The next screen allows you to proofread all of the information you previously entered

I'm Not a Robot:

- Check the box to indicate that you are not a robot

Submit:

- If all of the information entered is correct, hit "Submit" to officially file your document
  - **The next screen will show you a confirmation message. If you elected to receive an E-Mail notification, you will also receive a confirmation to the address you submitted.**



Keeping Track of the Docket

- You can go back and view the electronic docket at any time
  - **You can see your filing**
  - **You can see and review other filings**

- Go to the following URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/search/search-filings

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