



Lake Charles Harbor & Terminal District Vessel Security Requirements

The facilities of the District (City Docks and Bulk Terminal #1) are compliant with the U.S. Maritime Transportation Act (MTSA) and have been confirmed as such in writing by the United States Coast Guard. MTSA compliance makes the District's facilities ISPS compliant, also. ISPS pre-arrival information is not required by the District. However, a Harbor Police Officer will attend all arrivals (and sailings) and complete a form that provides the District with necessary vessel information. The form is completed by the attending Officer. A Harbor Police Officer will board all vessels upon arrival and meet with the Master or the Vessel Security Officer to discuss security matters. A Declaration of Security between the vessel and a District facility **is not** necessary unless:

- the vessel is carrying CDC cargo/material,
- if the security level increases above MARSEC 1 while the vessel is berthed;
- if the security level at the facility is above MARSEC 1 when the vessel arrives;
- if the security level aboard the vessel is heightened when the vessel arrives.

The current security level at District facilities is shown on the District's website on the main Security page to the right and immediately below the "Security" banner.

The Facility Security Officer (FSO) for the District's Bulk Terminal #1 and City Docks is the Chief of the Harbor Police. The FSO can be contacted at 337-493-3553 (office) or 337-802-5308 (cell). If the FSO cannot be reached, contact the following:

- AFSO at 337-493-3550 (office) or 337-794-8694 (cell)
- Harbor Police Duty officer 337- 493-3554 (office) or 337-802-3597 (cell)

The Harbor Police Department maintains a radio watch on marine channel 16.

All crew members not in possession of a Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC) issued by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security may not be on Port property unless accompanied by a District trained and District certified escort. This requirement does not apply to crew members on the wharf in the immediate vicinity of the vessel and attending to ship's business such as checking the vessel's draft, tending mooring lines, etc.

The District does not provide crew escorts. Vessels needing crew escorts should contact their agent.