



# International Ship and Port Facility Security (ISPS) Code



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## Scope

Piracy and armed attacks continue to occur on all too frequent basis. Current threats to maritime security are on the rise and the need to prevent and combat the threat is of utmost importance. This has triggered the recent conventions and legislation in this area.

The International Ship and Port Facility Security (ISPS) Code prescribes responsibilities to governments, shipping companies, shipboard personnel, and port/facility personnel to "detect security threats and take preventative measures against security incidents affecting ships or port facilities

Prospective security personnel receiving this training will clearly sense the reality of today's security issues, which include piracy, terrorism, contraband smuggling, cargo theft, and collateral damage.

## Who should attend?

The training is designed for those whose actions and decisions have critical implications for security and safety of the port, vessels and people around them.

## Training Mechanism

The training is provided in a workshop fashion where active participation adds a value. It uses various technologies to create accurate material that is meaningful engaging, and relevant; it includes intense learning opportunities provided through presentations, related videos, workshops, etc. The course characterizes sustained interest, enthusiasm and participation displayed by the participants throughout the program.

## Objective

**Those who successfully complete the course should be able to:**

- Demonstrate sufficient knowledge to undertake the duties assigned under the Port facility security plan.
- Detect security threats and implement security measures





- Establish roles and responsibilities concerning maritime security for governments, local administrations, ship and port industries at the national and international level
- Collate and promulgate security-related information
- Provide a methodology for security assessments so as to have in place plans and procedures to react to changing security levels
- Recognize the characteristics and behavioral patterns of persons who are likely to threaten security;
- Develop and implement of emergency procedures and contingency plans;

## Course Outline

### International Ship and Port Facility Security (ISPS)

- Overview
- Maritime Security Policy
- Current security threats and patterns
- Vessel and port operations and conditions
- Relevant international conventions, codes, and recommendations
- Relevant government legislation and regulations

### Security Responsibilities

- Recognized Security Organizations
- The company
- The vessel
- The port facility
- Vessel Security Officer
- Facility Security Officer
- Vessel and facility personnel with specific security duties
- Handling sensitive security-related information and communications

### Vessel Security Assessment

- Facility Security Assessment
- Assessment tools
- On-scene security surveys
- Risk assessment methodology
- Security assessment documentation
- Security equipment and systems





- Operational limitations of security equipment and systems
- Testing, calibration and maintenance of security equipment and systems

### **Vessel Security Plan**

- Purpose of the Vessel Security Plan
- Contents of the Vessel Security Plan
- Confidentiality issues
- Implementation of the Vessel Security Plan
- Maintenance and modification of the Vessel Security Plan

### **Threat Identification, Recognition, and Response**

- Recognition and detection of weapons, dangerous substances and devices
- Methods of screening, physical searches and non-intrusive inspections
- Execution and coordination of searches
- Recognition, on a non-discriminatory basis, of persons posing potential security risks
- Techniques used to circumvent security measures
- Crowd management and control techniques

### **Facility and Vessel Security Actions**

- Actions required by different security levels
- Maintaining security of the vessel/port interface
- Familiarity with the Declaration of Security
- Execution of security procedures
- Access control

### **Fire Protection, Emergency Preparedness, Drills, and Exercises**

- Familiarity with the fire detection and protection system
- Ability to use proper fire protection equipment
- Execution of contingency plans
- Security drills and exercises
- Assessment and critique of security drills and exercises

### **Security Administration**

- Documentation and records
- Reporting security incidents





- Monitoring and control
- Security audits and inspections
- Reporting nonconformities

### **Security Training**

- Training requirements
- Refresher training

