

CTPAT Program Minimum Security Criteria (MSC) for Marine Port Authority and Terminal Operations

Requirements:

Eligibility for U.S. based MPTO

1. Be an active U.S. Marine Port Authority and Terminal Operator in the U.S.
2. Handle cargo vessels arriving from international locations.
3. Have a business office staffed in the U.S.
4. Have an active Federal Maritime Commission (FMC) Marine Terminal Operator (MTO) 6-digit FMC MTO Number.
5. Designate a company officer that will be the primary cargo security officer responsible for CTPAT.
6. Sign the "CTPAT-Partner Agreement to Voluntarily Participate" and demonstrate commitment to the obligations outlined in this Agreement. This document is signed by a Company officer when the company applies for CTPAT membership via the CTPAT Portal.
7. Complete a supply chain security profile in the CTPAT Portal, identifying how the company meets and maintains the Program's MSC for MPTOs.
8. Maintain no evidence of financial debt to CBP for which the responsible party has exhausted all administrative and judicial remedies for relief, a final judgment or administrative disposition has been rendered, and the final bill or debt remains unpaid at the time of the initial application or annual renewal.

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Eligibility for foreign-based MPTO

To qualify for CTPAT as a Foreign-Based MPTO, a company must meet the same requirements as specified above except that:

1. Company must be an active MPTO in an international location that received an invitation from CBP to join CTPAT.
2. Instead of handling cargo vessels arriving from an international location, it must handle cargo vessels departing to the U.S.