

# Longshore Safety Tip

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## ***SECURITY AWARENESS # 2***

*Security Flyer # 2 continues the series entitled “Security Awareness”. This information will better prepare you to properly respond to any security situation or incident.*

### **2. “BE AWARE OF DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES AND DEVICES.”**

*Dangerous substances and devices might include any material substance, or item that may cause damage or injury to any person, vessel, facility, harbor, port, or waters that:*

- 1. Is unlawful to possess under applicable Federal, State, or local law;*
- 2. Has not been approved for entry onto the vessel or facility; or*
- 3. Has not been approved for entry onto the public area, property in a port by the Government.*

*Some examples of dangerous substances/devices are:*

- 1. A bomb shipped hidden in a container;*
- 2. Various hazardous materials that could be stolen and used for harm, (such as a fertilizer and fuel oil bomb used at the Oklahoma City Federal building).*
- 3. Chemicals which could be released and used as weapons of mass destruction.*
- 4. Illegal weapons such as automatic weapons, explosives etc.*

*U.S. Customs is responsible for regulations to prevent the use of intermodal containers to illegally transport any weapon, dangerous device or substance.*

*U.S Customs is constantly alert to any illegal activity.*

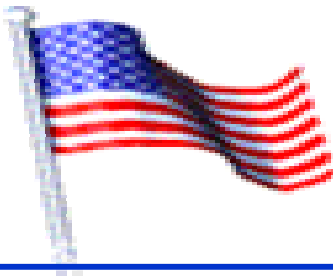
*U.S Customs uses the Vehicle and Container Inspection Systems (VACIS), Radiation Detection Portals, and sophisticated computers and technology for cargo screening.*



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3. **“BE AWARE OF THE CHARACTERISTICS AND BEHAVIORAL PATTERNS OF PERSONS WHO ARE LIKELY TO THREATEN SECURITY.”**

## ***Be Aware & Alert For:***

- *Someone who seems not to be familiar with our terminals or seems to be out of place.*
- *A person trying to gain entrance without proper identification, or*
- *Someone tampering with containers, tanks, cranes, power supplies, or other critical terminal systems.*

## **OK...SO WHAT DOES ALL THIS REALLY MEAN TO LONGSHORE WORKERS ON THE JOB ?**

*Your the one on the job, working ever day.....You know the terminal, equipment, chassis & cargo .... You know who and what is “normal”.*

*If you see anything out of the ordinary, anything that does not look right or looks out of place:*

**“Get Away, Call Supervision and Report It  
Then follow the instructions from your Supervisor”.**

*Management has developed a Facility Security Plan in accordance with the U.S. Coast Guard Regulations that has been designed to handle these type of incidents. Remember “Get Away & Notify Supervision”. Do not do anything more than provide information. Do not try to stop any illegal activity.*

***Be Alert - Be Vigilant !***

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