13. Security

13.1 General

The International Ship and Port Facility Security Code (ISPS) is administered in Australia by the [Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government](#) (DITRDLG). The Port of Townsville Limited – Port of Lucinda has an approved Maritime Security Plan as required under the *[Maritime Transport and Offshore Facilities Security Act 2003](#)*.

A ship's master, prior to entering the port, must report directly to the port authority, or via their respective ship agency, the following:

- International Ship Port Facility Security Code compliance number
- current ship security level, or any change to the ship security level, whilst in port
- ship security officer contact details
- list of expected visitors/contractors
- nominated provedore
- crew list and identification
- any security incident (as defined under the International Ship Port Facility Security Code or Maritime Transport Security Legislation) whilst in port.

13.2 Security levels

The Federal Government determined, and will declare when necessary, three security levels:

- **Level 1** — minimum appropriate protective security measures will be maintained at all times.
- **Level 2** — appropriate additional protective security measures will be enacted because of heightened risk of a security incident.
- **Level 3** — further specific protective security measures maintained for limited times when a security incident is probable or imminent, although it may not be possible to identify the specific target. Ships at a port facility must await instructions from the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government (DITRDLG) and are to follow their instructions as required

Unless otherwise advised the port will operate on **Level 1**.

In addition to normal security measures undertaken, additional security measures on the land and water may be implemented:

- If directed by the Australian Office of the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government.
- The current ship security level is higher than security level 1 or the port/port facility security level.

Additional security measures will include:

- increased number of maritime security guards
- controlled access to the waterside security zone and/or additional security waterside patrols
- controlled access to the ship security zone and landside restricted zone
- random or compulsory inspection of all baggage/stores and vehicles.

Responsibility for the implementation of the additional security measures will be agreed via a declaration of security between the ship and the port facility operator. The port security officer must be consulted and agree with the security measures proposed to be implemented.

13.3 Port security contacts

Port security officer (Lucinda)

    Telephone: +61 7 4777 8152

The Port of Townsville Limited **(24 hours)**

    Telephone: +61 7 4781 1667 or 4781 1668

Lucinda Bulk Sugar Terminal

    Telephone: +61 7 4798 2200

National security

In line with the Federal Government's recent publications to do with the reporting of any possible terrorist activity, these procedures are to be followed.

Contact the National Security 24 hour hotline if you have any information of possible terrorist activity or have seen or heard something suspicious that may need investigating by the security agencies.

    24 hour Hotline   1800 123 400

    Email   hotline@nationalsecurity.gov.au