

13. Security

13.1 General

The International Ship and Port Facility Security Code (ISPS) is administered in Australia by the [*Department of Home Affairs – Cyber and Infrastructure Security Centre \(CISC\)*](#). NQBP 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 NQBP or via their respective Ship Agency the following:

- International Ship and 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; and
- Any security incident (as defined under the International Ship and Port Facility Security Code or maritime transport security legislation) whilst in port.

13.1.1 Security Levels

The federal government determined, and will declare when necessary, three Maritime Security Levels (MARSEC):

- MARSEC 1: minimum appropriate protective security measures will be maintained at all times.
- MARSEC 2: appropriate additional protective security measures will be enacted because of heightened risk of a security incident.
- MARSEC 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.

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

Responsibility for the implementation of additional security measures will be agreed via a declaration of security between the ship and NQBP.

13.1.2 Maritime Security Zones

Dependent upon the security level in force, these zones will apply in particular areas of the port.

Zones established at maritime security level 1 are as follows:

- Waterside restricted zone — 30 metres from any wharf or the outside face of a security regulated fuel or cruise ship.
- Landside restricted zones — areas defined by security fences and signage on all berths.

All zones will be clearly identified, and conditions must be observed by all port users.

Access to the zones is controlled and entry into the zones is not permitted unless authorised by the ship and/or the port authority, as required. To do so is an offence under

the [Maritime Transport and Offshore Facilities Security Act 2003](#) (the MTOFSA) and subject to significant penalties.

13.1.3 Port Security Contacts

Port security manager: +61 7 4955 8147 (24 hours)

Entry on to, and use of, the port area is subject to compliance with [NQB port rules](#).

Failure to comply with the NQB port rules is an offence under the [Transport Infrastructure \(Ports\) Regulations 1994](#).

13.2 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