

# **TWIC Update**

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# **TWIC Applicability**

- Merchant Mariners
- Vessels
- Facilities
- ...and everyone else

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- Jan 29...DHS awarded an indefinite delivery/indefinite quantity contract to Lockheed Martin Corporation – Transportation and Security Solutions of Rockville, Md., worth \$70 million for the initial deployment of a credential for workers requiring access to secure areas of port facilities.
- Contract supports deployment of the TWIC, which will enhance port security by requiring all workers with unescorted access to secure areas of vessels and maritime facilities to successfully complete a security threat assessment and carry a biometric credential.

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## **Merchant Mariners**

- ALL credentialed merchant mariners
- New hires... “ok” to be onboard for 30 days BUT must apply for a TWIC and have a positive initial name-based check
  - Access “secure” areas only with authorized TWIC holder employee escort
- September 25, 2008

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## **Vessels**

### **■ Access**

- Authorized TWIC holders... “*Unescorted Access*” to “*Secure Areas*” on “*Affected Vessels*”

- “*Secure Areas*”...the entire ship

- No TWIC?

- MUST be “*Escorted*” in the “*Secure Areas*”
    - “*Escorted*”... side-by-side NOT required if sufficient surveillance or monitoring (look for the NVIC)
  - MUST be “*Escorted*” in the “*Restricted Areas*”
    - “*Escorted*”... side-by-side

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## **Vessels (cont)**

- VSP needs to be amended w/ new TWIC program addendum to accommodate new TWIC requirements
- New control provisions must be implemented no later than September 25, 2008

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## Vessels (cont)

### ■ TWIC “*Affected Vessels*”

- Cargo, Passenger, Certain Barges, Tankships, Certain Towing Vessels, and vessels subject to Chapter I
- but what about... **Research Vessels???**

### ■ USCG periodic visual checks

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## Facilities

### **■ MTSA Regulated**

- SOLAS Vessels Subject to Chapter XI
  - Cargo Ships  $\geq$  500 GT on International Voyages
    - Cargo Ships = all vessels other than passenger vessels

***HOWEVER....***

- The ISPS & 33 CFR 104.110 are **NOT** applicable to government owned ships used for non-commercial government service

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## **Facilities (cont)**

- FSP needs to be amended w/ new TWIC program addendum to accommodate new TWIC requirements
  
- New control provisions must be implemented in accordance w/ published enrollment date established by COTP Zone (expected to be no later than Sep 25. '08)
  - Federal Register notice

# **TWIC Applicability**

- Once enrollment begins, when will workers be required to have a TWIC?
- The Coast Guard will publish TWIC compliance dates for each Captain of the Port zone (COTP) in the Federal Register. The compliance date is expected to closely follow the end of the initial enrollment period for the relevant COTP Zone. The Coast Guard will provide 90 days notice prior to the compliance date in a particular COTP. Facility owners and operators are responsible for ensuring that their employees are aware of enrollment and compliance dates.

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***NO*** voluntary  
TWIC program compliance  
provision for  
vessels or facilities.

So, is TWIC applicable to us?

# **USCG's Role in TWIC Implementation**

- Cooperative effort w/ TSA, Lockheed/Martin & sub Deloitte Consulting
- Monthly mtgs w/ region's FSOs
- Standardize ID procedures for all personnel requiring unescorted access to secure areas of facilities & vsls
- Conduct biometric spot checks as part of facility/vsl compliance inspections
- Oversee use/application of TWIC at MTSA regulated facilities/vsls