

CTPAT 101
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# **CTPAT: Program Background**

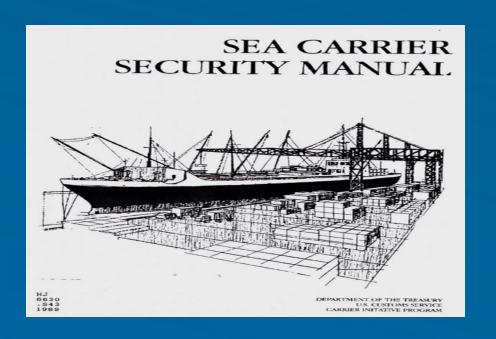
CTPAT is a partnership between Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and industry to **protect supply chains**, identify security gaps, implement specific security and trade compliance best practices, and maintain the integrity of low-risk cargo entering the United States.

- Super Carrier Initiative (Marine and Air Environment) 1980
- Launched in November 2001
- Brass Program (FAST LANE) 2002
- Safe Port Act 2006
- Started with seven companies
- Designed so all businesses, regardless of size, can participate in global supply chain security



# **CTPAT: Program Background**

- **Partnership** cooperatively developed minimum security criteria vs. mandatory requirements
- Voluntary companies are not required to adhere to
   CTPAT criteria, but must do so to receive benefits
- Flexibility for diverse business models
- Provides tangible benefits





# **CTPAT: Program Background**

Where CTPAT Fits in the CBP Enforcement Strategy:

- National Security
- Narcotics
- Agriculture
- Trade





# **CTPAT: Partnership**

#### What is Partnership?

- A commitment on both parties to work towards improved security and compliance.
- CBP has made a commitment to stand by the partner if the partner is demonstrating full commitment to the principles and goals of the program.

#### What is <u>not</u> Partnership?

- A free pass.
- Companies that don't demonstrate the commitment required, can not continue to participate in the program.



# **CTPAT Objectives**

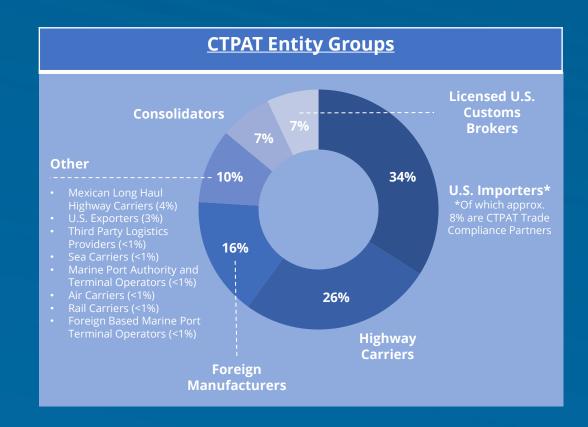
- Emphasis on prevention versus interdiction
- Promote shared responsibility
- Promote security awareness
- Increase supply chain security and supply chain efficiency



# **Program Partnership By the Numbers**

The CTPAT program is comprised of over 10,000 partners that are divided into 13 entity groups.

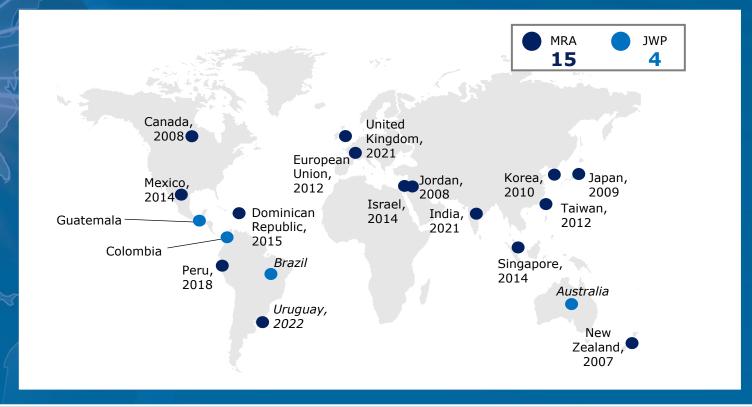
CTPAT Statistics		
10,964+	CTPAT Program Partners	
293	CTPAT Trade Compliance Partners	
288	CY21 Partner Suspension (180) & Removals (108)	
15	Mutual Recognition Arrangements (MRA)	
51%	Of U.S. Imports by Value are CTPAT Certified	
99%	Compliance rate for CTPAT partners with the established CTPAT security guidelines	
\$43M	Reduced examination cost savings benefit for CTPAT partners	





# **Mutual Recognition Arrangements (MRAs)**

The CTPAT program has a significant global presence via 15 active MRAs. These programs were developed and accepted to be commensurate with Agency expectations of CTPAT Minimum Security Criteria and the Global Framework of Standards.





# **Program Benefits**

CTPAT partners receive a variety of benefits at both the Security and Trade Compliance levels.

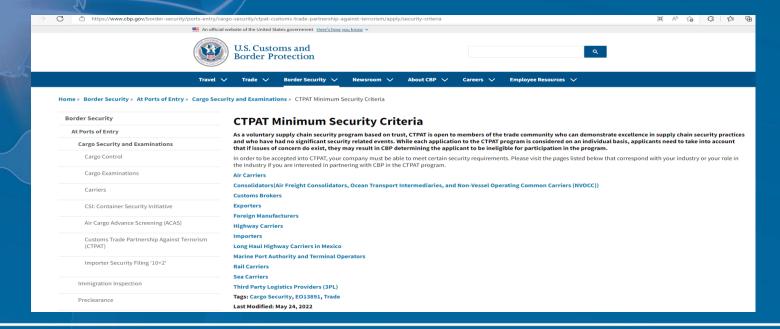
Key Program Benefits	All CTPAT Partners	CTPAT Trade Compliance Partners
Expedited Processes		
Reduced number of CBP examinations	✓	✓
Front of the line inspections	✓	✓
Access to the Free and Secure Trade (FAST) Lanes at the land borders	<b>√</b>	<b>V</b>
Advanced Qualified Unlading Approval (AQUA Lane)	✓ Tier:	<b>-</b>
Direct Access to CBP Resources		
CTPAT Trade Compliance portal	Tier	<b>√</b> 01
Access to the CTPAT web-based portal system and a library of training materials	✓ Tier	<b>✓</b>
Assignment of a Supply Chain Security Specialist (SCSS) to the company	✓ Certifie	<b>√</b>   0 <sub>3</sub>
National Account Manager (NAM)		<b>√</b>   <del>-</del>
Additional Key Benefits		
Expedited National Commodities Division Rulings		
Possibility of enjoying additional benefits by being recognized as a trusted trade partner by foreign customs administrations that have signed Mutual Recognition with the U.S.	✓	✓
Penalty Mitigation	✓	✓
Plus many additional benefits		
Additional benefits in development		



# Eligibility

Please visit the link below to check eligibility

https://www.cbp.gov/border-security/ports-entry/cargo-security/ctpat-customs-trade-partnership-against-terrorism/apply/security-criteria





### Portal

Please visit the link below to start the application process

https://ctpatadmin.cbp.dhs.gov/trade-web/login/





## **CTPAT Process**

## **CTPAT Security: Application Process**

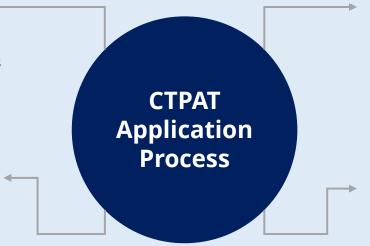
A rigorous application ensures security and compliance measures are met and followed

#### 1) Eligibility

- Apply via the CTPAT web portal
- Requirements must be met before applicant's information is inputted

#### 2) Certification

- Applicant must complete a security profile
- CTPAT field office assigned to company for initial vetting, review and security profile certification
- Approval or rejection of application within 90 days



#### 3) Validation

- If security profile is approved, CTPAT must conduct on-site validation within one year
- Validate supply chain security report and alignment to guidelines
- Review forms, sign-in sheets and checklists every 1-2 years

#### 4) Verification

- CTPAT must ensure applicant complies with the program's security criteria
- Use verification process to foster a strong working relationship with the applicant



## **CTPAT Process**

CTPAT partners receive a variety of benefits

#### **Minimum Security Criteria**

The procedures the partner must have in place

#### Validation

 Where CBP visits the partner (domestic and foreign\*) and verifies security process in place

#### Must vs. Should

- Must is a mandatory component. While CTPAT is voluntary, these points must be successfully addressed to obtain and maintain partnership
- Should indicates recommended security practices

# Tier 1 Company has submitted a Security Profile and the program has determined it meets Minimum Security Criteria. Account status is Certified.

# Company has been **Validated** and program has verified CTPAT Minimum Security Criteria has been met. **Tier 2**

Account status is Validated.

Company has been **Validated** and **exceeds** Minimum Security Criteria.

Tier 3

Account is **Validated-Exceeding**.



# Minimum Security Criteria (MSC)

The following 12 criteria categories guide CTPAT partners in ensuring safe and secure global supply chains and trade practices.

Focus Areas	Criteria Categories	Description	
Corporate Security	Security Vision and Responsibility (New)	Promote a security vision, integrate security throughout the organization, establish an audit process, importance and role of the CTPAT POC	
	Risk Assessment	Complete a comprehensive risk assessment based on a recognized methodology and in line with the MSC.	
	Business Partner Requirements	Select, screen, and monitor business partner compliance with MSC, to include <u>trade based</u> money laundering	
	Cybersecurity (New)	Written cyber security policies and procedures; protection of IT systems with software and hardware; remote access; personal devices	
Transportation Security	Conveyance and IIT Security	Conduct thorough inspections for both security and visible agricultural contamination; driver verification; tracking of conveyances; random searches;	
	Seal Security	High security seal policy; containers not suitable for sealing; mandated use of the VVTT seal verification process; management audits of seals	
	Procedural Security	Document processes relevant to transportation, handling, and storage of cargo.	
	Agricultural Security (New)	Introduces requirements that protect the supply chain from contaminants and pests and the proper use of wood packaging materials.	
People & Physical Security	Physical Access Controls	Outlines requirements to prevent, detect, or deter unauthorized personnel from gaining access to facilities. Expands on the use of security technology.	
	Physical Security	Require the positive identification of all employees, visitors, and vendors at all points of entry.	
	Personnel Security	Complete screening, pre-employment verification, background checks, and comply with U.S. immigration laws.	
	Security Training, Threat, and Awareness	Requires training on security for all employees; specialized training for employees in sensitive positions; determine if training provided was effective	
Represents new criteria categories as of 2020			



# **CTPAT Process**

#### SECURITY AND THE SUPPLY CHAIN Securing the supply chain means providing appropriate security at all times, at every facility and for every means of conveyance. 11 Port of Import Container Yard (10) Unloading of Vessel (12) Rail Transport (1) Factory 2 Factory Warehouse 3 Local Truck Transport FACILITY SECURITY RAIL IN TRANSIT FACILITY SECURITY VESSEL AT PORT SECURITY FACILITY SECURITY FACILITY SECURITY 13 Container Yard FACILITY SECURITY Container (5) Rail Transport (9) Vessel En Route CARGO JET IN TRANSIT SECURITY 6 Consolidation Facility (14) Cargo Jet Transport B Loading of Vessel 15 Local Warehouse FACILITY SECURITY 16 Local Delivery FACILITY SECURITY VESSEL AT PORT SECURITY TRUCK IN TRANSIT'S ECURITY



## **CTPAT Field Offices**

#### **All Field Offices**



Buffalo Eastern Canada, India Houston Mexico (MX) & Asia

Miami MX, Central/South America, Asia

New York Middle East, Africa, Canada

Newark EU and Canada

#### **Los Angeles Area of Responsibility**





## **CTPAT Processes**



- Conducted over 30,000
   Validations
- Visited over 109 Countries



# **CTPAT Big Picture**

Commitment to partnership to enhance Supply Chain Security

#### **Benefits for Trade**

Improved security, fewer inspections, expedited cargo processing

#### **Benefits for Government**

 Tactical support for focus on high - risk shipments, better allocation of resources



# CTPAT Q&A

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