



*Training Course:
Port Facility Security Officer (PFSO)*

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Introduction

The course covers the necessary knowledge to enable the trainee to undertake the duties and responsibilities of the Port Facility Security Officer PFSO, according to the requirements of the relevant international legislation.

By the end of this course, participants will be able to perform duties of a Port Facility Security Officer PFSO or Assistant PFSO, as defined in section A/2.1.8 and section A/17.1 of the ISPS Code.

Course Objectives of Port Facility Security Officer PFSO

- Equip you with a thorough understanding of the ISPS Code
- Present detailed information the best practices applied worldwide for port facility security requirements
- Help participants become qualified as Port Facility Security Officers PFSO

Course Learning of Port Facility Security Officer PFSO

Having successfully completed this course you will:

- Know the key contents of the ISPS Code, the related conventions, and legislation
- Understand your main responsibilities as a PFSO
- Grasp the main features of a Port Facility Security assessment
- Discover requirements on security equipment and plan
- Learn about security threats, emergency, drills, and training
- Be certified and able to take on the duties and responsibilities as defined in the International Ship and Port Facility Security ISPS Code

Target Audience of Port Facility Security Officer PFSO

- Port Facilities Security Officers
- PFSO assistants
- Port Facility Personnel involved in the Port Facility Security plan

Course Outlines of Port Facility Security Officer PFSO

Day 1: Introduction - Security Policy

Introduction

- Definition of Security
- Seminar overview
- Competences to be achieved
- Historical perspective
- Ship and port operations and conditions

- Modern port facilities
- Types of port facilities

Maritime Security Policy

- International conventions and E.U. legislation
- Initiations of IMO
- SOLAS 74 Convention /Amendments
- ISPS / Objectives
- ISPS - Contents Part A & B / Definitions
- EU legislation
- Legal implications of action or non-action by security personnel
- Handling sensitive security-related information and communication

Day 2: Security Responsibilities - Port Facility Security Assessment

Security Responsibilities

- Contracting governments,
- Recognized Security Organizations RSO
- The company
- The ship
- The port facility
- Ship Security Officer SSO
- Company Security Officer CSO
- Port Facility Security Officer PFSO
- Shipboard personnel with security duties, Other personnel

Port Facility Security Assessment

- General requirements
- PFSA Steps
- Risk assessment methodology
- On-scene security surveys
- Layout Of Port Facility
- Vulnerability - Consequences Matrix
- Mitigation Strategies
- Risk Evaluation
- Security Assessment documentation

Day 3: Security Equipment, Port Facility Security Plan

Security Equipment

- Security equipment and systems
- Security Fencing
- Security Lighting
- Surveillance Systems,
- Detection Devices,
- Access Control Equipment,
- Operation limitations of security equipment and systems,
- Testing, calibration, and maintenance of security equipment and systems

Port Facility Security Plan

- Purpose of the Port Facility Security Plan PFSP
- Contents of the PFSP
- Security Organization
- Security Level Ship/Port Facility
- Access To Disabled Persons
- Confidentiality issues
- Development of the PFSP
- Approval of the PFSP
- Implementation of the PFSP
- Maintenance and modification of the PFSP
- PFSP modification

Part 4: Threat Identification & Response - Port Facility Security Actions

Threat Identification, Recognition, and Response

- Recognition and detection of weapons dangerous substances and devices
- Methods of physical searches and non-intrusive inspections
- Implementing and coordinating searches,
- Coordinating searches
- Susceptive places for search in the port facility
- Recognition of persons posing potential security risks
- Techniques used to circumvent security measures
- Crowd management and control techniques

Port Facility Security Actions

- Actions required by different security levels
- Maintaining the security of the ship/port interface
- Usage of the Declaration of Security
- Implementation of security procedures

Day 5: Emergency Preparedness - Security Administration & Training

Emergency Preparedness, Drills, And Exercises

- Contingency planning
- Security drills and exercises
- Security incident scenarios
- Assessment of security drills and exercises

Security Administration

- Documentation and records
- Reporting security incidents
- Monitoring and control
- Security audits and inspections
- Reporting Nonconformities

Security Training

- Training requirements
- Instructional techniques

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