



Suspicious Activity Detection and Reporting





What is Suspicious Activity?



Suspicious activity is any observed behavior that could indicate terrorism or terrorism-related crime.



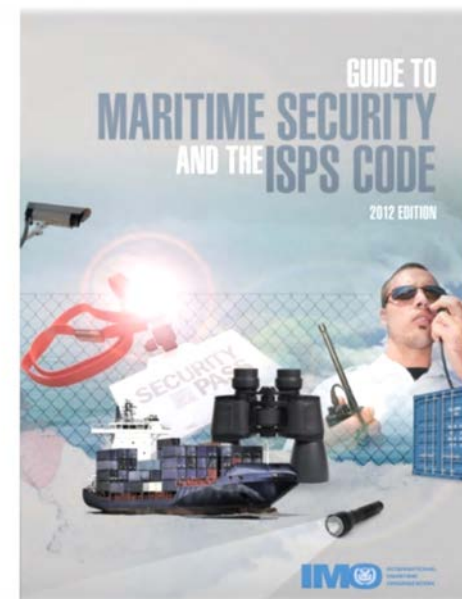


Guide to Maritime Security and the ISPS Code



Security incident:

- ❖ “any **suspicious act** or circumstance threatening the security of a ship including a mobile offshore drilling unit and a high speed craft, or of a port facility or of any ship/port interface or any ship to ship activity.”



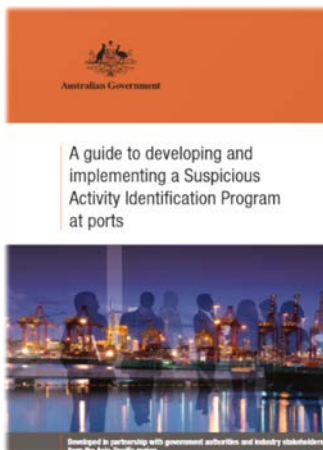


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Suspicious Activity can also be defined as:

“The actions of an individual or group that is outside the normal acceptable standards for those people or that particular area.”





What is Suspicious Activity? Unusual Items or Situations



- A vehicle is parked in an odd location
- A package/luggage is unattended
- A window/door is open that is usually closed
- Other out-of-the-ordinary situations occur.





What is Suspicious Activity?



- **Eliciting information:** A person questions individuals at a level beyond curiosity about a building's purpose, operations, security procedures and/or personnel, shift changes, etc.

The graphic features the INS (Intelligence and National Security) logo on the left, which includes the text "INSI" and "INTEGRITY". To the right, the text "Suspicious Activity Reporting" is displayed. Below this, a photograph shows several rolled-up blueprints or documents. A dark blue banner is overlaid on the bottom of the photograph, containing a bullet point.

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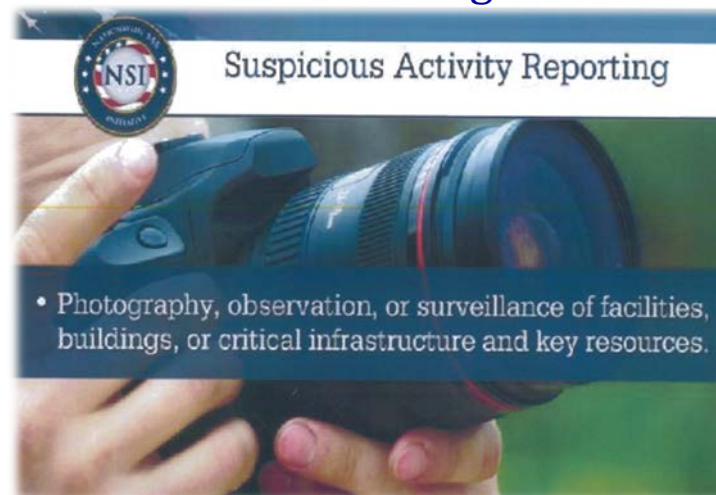




What is Suspicious Activity? Observation/Surveillance



- Someone pays unusual attention to facilities or buildings beyond a casual or professional interest. This includes extended loitering without explanation (particularly in concealed locations)
- Unusual, repeated, and/or prolonged observation of a building
- Taking notes or measurements
- Counting paces
- Sketching vessel or facility layout, etc.





What is Suspicious Activity?



Suspicious activity

- Points to remember:
 - It's okay to be suspicious
 - Don't ignore suspicious activity or behavior
 - It's more important to report it than to have a potential threat or target become a reality
 - Suspicious activity should raise a red flag to well-trained employees





What is Suspicious Activity? SETS



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- ✓ Surveillance: Photography, videotaping drawing, mapping potential target
- ✓ Elicitation: Asking detailed questions in an attempt to gain knowledge of hidden or proprietary information.
- ✓ Tests of Security: A tool used to develop timelines of response to a particular incident. Staging an incident to determine access vulnerability.
- ✓ Suspicious Behavior: Behavior that is out of place or out of character with the environment.

A GUIDE TO DEVELOPING AND IMPLEMENTING A SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY IDENTIFICATION PROGRAM AT PORTS

Identifying suspicious activity

YOU encounter numerous people and situations while working, living or recreating in our nation's ports and waterways. During these encounters you could see something that might indicate a terrorist activity is being planned. Knowing how to recognise and respond to terrorist warning signs could enable you to prevent the next act of terrorism. The acronym SETS will help you understand the basic steps and indicators.

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E	Elicitation <i>Elicitation involves asking detailed questions in an attempt to gain knowledge of hidden or proprietary information.</i>
T	Tests of security <i>A test of security is a tool used to develop timelines of authoritative response to a particular incident or occurrence. Staging an incident can be done to determine access vulnerability and/or establish a timeline for later use.</i>
S	Suspicious behaviour <i>Suspicious behaviour is displayed behaviour that is out of place or out of character with the environment. Remember people are not suspicious. Behaviour is!</i>



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Remember:



- Factors such as race, ethnicity, and/or religious affiliation are not suspicious; behavior is.
- Behavior that is reasonably indicative of criminal activity related to terrorism should be shared through appropriate channels.



Questions

