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DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF SHIPPING, MUMBAI

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Subject: Mandatory Training Requirements for Security Personnel engaged by the  
Port Facilities – reg.

1. The Directorate General of Shipping has approved the training course developed by the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) for the Security Personnel engaged by the Port Facilities. The said training course is meeting the requirements of the ISPS Code and the relevant IMO Model course 3.24 on Security awareness training for the personnel having designated security duties in the Port Facilities.
2. The Directorate considers it necessary to ensure standardized and mandatory training of Security Personnel engaged in providing security services in Port facilities. Accordingly, it has been decided that all the Security Personnel deployed for Port security functions are required to undergo the said training course developed by the CISF.
3. The security training framework, including the syllabus, course structure, training methodology, and qualification criteria has been prepared by CISF and approved by the Directorate General of Shipping. The said approved training course is aligned with the relevant provisions of the ISPS Code and the relevant IMO Model course 3.24, to ensure competency- based training and standardization. The details of the approved training course are as follows;

<b>Name of the training course:</b>	Security awareness training for Port Facility personnel with designated security duties
<b>Duration:</b>	5 days
<b>Intake capacity per batch:</b>	Maximum 40 candidates
<b>Frequency:</b>	One/two batches per month
<b>Location of the training:</b>	Mumbai/Chennai/Kolkata/Kandla/Kochi/Vizag and any additional location specified by CISF.

4. Therefore, all the Security Personnel (both Govt and Private) engaged in providing security services in all the Port Facilities shall undergo the said Security training course within a period of six months. The course will be conducted by the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) training division. The course fee for the trainees will be borne by concerned port authority/port operator/private security agency (PSA). The port authorities/operators are encouraged to provide necessary facilities and logistics to CISF training division for conducting training to PSAs. Further

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modalities and details regarding the course including the schedule, venue, booking details, fees etc., may be obtained from CISF nodal officer Name: Shri Prashant Dwivedi, AIG/WZ-I, Navi Mumbai, Email id: digwz@cisf.gov.in

5. It is necessary to ensure strict compliance by all concerned stakeholders to enhance port security preparedness, standardize competencies of private security personnel, and ensure uniform compliance with national and international maritime security norms.
6. It may be noted that failure to complete the mandated training shall make any Private Security personnel ineligible for deployment by port authorities, and such training shall constitute the minimum qualification for engagement of Private Security Personnel at Port Facilities.
7. All the Port Facilities, Recognized Port Facility Security Organizations, Private Security agencies providing services to the Port Facilities and other concerned entities shall ensure strict compliance with this Notice and shall engage only those security personnel who have successfully completed the mandated Security training. The CISF shall maintain the records of training conducted and certificates issued for verification.
8. This is issued with the approval of the competent authority.



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