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## APL LOGISTICS REPRESENTS A BEST-IN-CLASS CTPAT PROGRAM TO OUR TRADING PARTNERS



Global supply chains are constantly subject to hazards and security threats – from network intrusions to natural disasters. To mitigate risk around these evolving challenges, APL Logistics adheres to strict security standards.

### SUPPLY CHAIN SECURITY INITIATIVES

Our primary objective is to strengthen the global supply chain while protecting our customers' facilities, cargo and data. This is achieved through a multifaceted approach to security:

- Ongoing procedure and protocol reviews,
- IT security programs,
- Participation in global security programs designed to maximize supply chain safety.

The **Customs Trade Partnership Against Terrorism (CTPAT)** program is one layer of the U.S. Customs and Border Protection's (CBP) multi-layered cargo enforcement strategy. Through this program, CBP works with the trade community to strengthen international supply chains and improve U.S. border security.

As a voluntary supply chain security program, CTPAT is open to members of the trade community who can demonstrate excellence in supply chain security practices. CTPAT members gain a variety of enhanced cargo clearance benefits.



### APL LOGISTICS CTPAT CERTIFICATION

APL Logistics was among the first wave of companies to participate in the CTPAT program. Certified as a Consolidator in April 2003. The CTPAT certification is global and encompasses the APL Logistics organization and all its facilities worldwide.

#### Certified and Validated CTPAT Member

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Status Verification Number: aplCon00793

### BENEFITS OF CTPAT

One of the most direct benefits of CTPAT is a streamlined supply chain process. Once certified, your efforts are rewarded with shipments that are subject to fewer inspections and security-related delays, enabling your company to continue operating a seamless supply chain.

As a CTPAT certified member we can reassure our trade partners that we are vigilant and proactive about security, and our program demonstrates excellence in supply chain security practices.

While APL Logistics does not require its customers to be CTPAT members, however we do require their compliance with the CTPAT security requirements. This ensures that we mutually work toward the same objective of securing the supply chain.

# CTPAT A SMOOTHER MORE SECURE SUPPLY CHAIN

CTPAT certified as well as non-CTPAT certified trade partners can use the CTPAT portal to verify APL Logistics good standing within the program.

In addition to being a CTPAT member, APL Logistics actively participates in the following security initiatives:

- **Secure Trade Partnership (STP) & STP-Plus – Singapore Customs**
- **The European Commission – Authorized Economic Operator (AEO) program**

Both programs are Mutual Recognition Arrangements (MRA). The MRA indicates that the security standards/requirements and verification procedures of the foreign AEO program are similar to the CTPAT program requirements.

By adhering to these global initiatives, APL Logistics is able to collaborate and create a unified and sustainable security posture that assists in securing and facilitating the global supply chain.

## MINIMUM SECURITY CRITERIA (MSC)

APL Logistics remains fully compliant with CTPAT requirements, including the new 2020 CTPAT MSC for Consolidators. Each new MSC criteria is incorporated into our global processes for a robust global security program. The 2020 CTPAT MSC for Consolidators has a focus on three new categories.

- **Security Vision & Responsibility**
  - APLL has established a global CTPAT task force with dedicated global points of contact that are trained and well versed with the APL Logistics security program.
  - The APLL security program is documented and reviewed regularly by the task force for continuous improvement.
- **Cybersecurity**
  - Global policies and procedures are reviewed regularly to ensure that they meet and/or exceed the MSC.
- **Agricultural Security**
  - Steps are added to container checklist to inspect for any potential pests, so that issues can be addressed quickly.
  - Daily inspections ensure that cargo is stored in a safe and clean area that is free of visible pest contamination.

Additionally, APL Logistics' robust supply chain security program includes:

- Internal audits conducted annually, and more frequently as needed based on threats, risk, or vulnerabilities.

- Risk assessments of our facilities to ensure the security criteria is met, recorded, and any gaps addressed immediately.
- Documented procedures for all security criteria, including container and seal inspections; agricultural, and 8 point inspection, supported by check sheets.
- Security breach incident reports.

## BUSINESS PARTNERS

As a certified member in various global supply chain security programs (CTPAT, STP-Plus, EU AEO), APL Logistics requires contractors/vendors who handle and move cargo on behalf of APLL to provide services consistent with those programs' security standards, even if they are not a member themselves. The Contractor/Vendor agrees to maintain security standards and policies in respect to cargo handled/moved under this contract that meet applicable security guidelines, as amended from time to time.

### APL LOGISTICS SUCCESSFULLY REVALIDATED OUR CTPAT CERTIFICATION IN 2021

Current CTPAT, STP-Plus and EU AEO security standards are available for review at:

- <https://www.cbp.gov/border-security/ports-entry/cargo-security/ctpat>
- <https://www.customs.gov.sg/businesses/customs-schemes-licences-framework/secure-trade-partnership-stp>
- [https://ec.europa.eu/taxation\\_customs/general-information-customs/customs-security/authorised-economic-operator-aeo\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/taxation_customs/general-information-customs/customs-security/authorised-economic-operator-aeo_en)