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§ 106.210 OCS Facility Security Officer (FSO).

(a) General. (1) The FSO may perform other duties within the owner’s or operator’s organization, provided he or she is able to perform the duties and responsibilities required of the FSO of each such OCS facility.

(2) The same person may serve as the FSO for more than one OCS facility, provided the facilities are within a reasonable proximity to each other. If a person serves as the FSO for more than one OCS facility, the name of each OCS facility for which he or she is the FSO must be listed in the Facility Security Plan (FSP) of each OCS facility for which he or she is the FSO.

(3) The FSO may assign security duties to other OCS facility personnel; however, the FSO remains responsible for these duties.

(b) Responsibilities. In addition to any other duties required by this part, for each OCS facility for which the CSO is responsible, the CSO must:

(1) Keep the OCS facility apprised of potential threats or other information relevant to its security;

(2) Ensure that a Facility Security Assessment (FSA) is carried out in compliance with this part;

(3) Ensure that a Facility Security Plan (FSP) is developed, approved, maintained, and implemented in compliance with this part;

(4) Ensure that the FSP is modified when necessary to comply with this part;

(5) Ensure that OCS facility security activities are audited in compliance with this part.

(6) Ensure the timely correction of problems identified by audits or inspections;

(7) Enhance security awareness and vigilance within the owner’s or operator’s organization;

(8) Ensure relevant personnel receive adequate security training in compliance with this part;

(9) Ensure communication and cooperation between the OCS facility and vessels that interface with it, in compliance with this part;

(10) Ensure consistency between security requirements and safety requirements in compliance with this part;

(11) Ensure that if a common FSP is prepared for more than one similar OCS facility, the FSP reflects any OCS facility specific characteristics; and

(12) Ensure compliance with an Alternative Security Program or equivalents approved under this subchapter, if appropriate.

(13) Ensure the TWIC program is being properly implemented.


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(4) Emergency preparedness and response and contingency planning;

(5) Security equipment and systems and their operational limitations;

(6) Methods of conducting audits, inspection, control, and monitoring; and

(7) Techniques for security training and education, including security measures and procedures.

(c) In addition to the knowledge and training in paragraph (b) of this section, the CSO must have general knowledge, through training or equivalent job experience, in the following, as appropriate:

(1) Relevant international conventions, codes, and recommendations;

(2) Relevant government legislation and regulations;

(3) Responsibilities and functions of other security organizations;

(4) Methodology of Facility Security Assessment;

(5) Methods of OCS facility security surveys and inspections;

(6) Handling sensitive security information (SSI) and security related communications;

(7) Knowledge of current security threats and patterns;

(8) Recognition and detection of dangerous substances and devices;

(9) Recognition of characteristics and behavioral patterns of persons who are likely to threaten security;

(10) Techniques used to circumvent security measures;

(11) Methods of physical screening and non-intrusive inspections; and

(12) Conducting and assessing security drills and exercises.

(13) Knowledge of TWIC requirements.
(4) The FSO must maintain a TWIC.

(b) Qualifications. The FSO must have general knowledge, through training or equivalent job experience, in the following:

(1) Those items listed in §106.205(b), and as appropriate §106.205(c), of this part;

(2) OCS facility layout;

(3) The FSP and related procedures; and

(4) Operation, testing and maintenance of security equipment and systems.

(c) Responsibilities. In addition to any other responsibilities specified elsewhere in this part, the FSO must, for each OCS facility for which he or she has been designated:

(1) Regularly inspect the OCS facility to ensure that security measures are maintained in compliance with this part;

(2) Ensure the maintenance of and supervision of the implementation of the FSP, and any amendments to the FSP, in compliance with this part;

(3) Ensure the coordination and handling of stores and industrial supplies in compliance with this part;

(4) Where applicable, propose modifications to the FSP to the Company Security Officer (CSO);

(5) Ensure that any problems identified during audits or inspections are reported to the CSO, and promptly implement any corrective actions;

(6) Ensure security awareness and vigilance on board the OCS facility;

(7) Ensure adequate security training for OCS facility personnel in compliance with this part;

(8) Ensure the reporting and recording of all security incidents in compliance with this part;

(9) Ensure the coordinated implementation of the FSP with the CSO;

(10) Ensure that security equipment is properly operated, tested, calibrated and maintained in compliance with this part;

(11) Ensure consistency between security requirements and the proper treatment of OCS facility personnel affected by those requirements;

(12) Ensure that occurrences that threaten the security of the OCS facility are recorded and reported to the CSO;

(13) Ensure that when changes in the MARSEC Level are attained they are recorded and reported to the CSO, OCS facility owner or operator, and the cognizant District Commander; and

(14) Have prompt access to a copy of the FSA, along with an approved copy of the FSP.

(15) Ensure the TWIC program is properly implemented.


§ 106.215 Company or OCS facility personnel with security duties.

Company and OCS facility personnel responsible for security duties must maintain a TWIC, and must have knowledge, through training or equivalent job experience, in the following, as appropriate:

(a) Knowledge of current and anticipated security threats and patterns.

(b) Recognition and detection of dangerous substances and devices;

(c) Recognition of characteristics and behavioral patterns of persons who are likely to threaten security;

(d) Recognition of techniques used to circumvent security measures;

(e) Security related communications;

(f) Knowledge of emergency procedures and contingency plans;

(g) Operation of security equipment and systems;

(h) Testing, calibration, and maintenance of security equipment and systems;

(i) Inspection, control, and monitoring techniques;

(j) Methods of physical screenings of persons, personal effects, stores and industrial supplies;

(k) Familiarity with all relevant aspects of the TWIC program and how to carry them out;

(l) Relevant provisions of the Facility Security Plan (FSP); and

(m) The meaning and the consequential requirements of the different MARSEC Levels.