

CONTAINER SECURITY INSPECTION/SEALS/STORAGE

Re: CTPAT – Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism

Dear Customer/Service Provider:

We are participating in the U.S. Customs security recommendations program known as CTPAT (Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism). CTPAT is a voluntary initiative between U.S. Customs and the international trade community to develop a more secure border without restricting the flow of imports into the United States. In an effort to ensure that our customers and service providers have procedures in place to maintain container and trailer security, whether CTPAT members or not, we ask you to review the CTPAT guidelines concerning container, tractor and trailer and seal security.

All containers, tractors and trailers arriving at a facility should have documentation verified and seal number verified and inspected for tampering. All seals used to secure loaded containers must meet or exceed the current PAS/ISO 17712 standards. In addition, the following 7-Point container inspection and 17-Point tractor and trailer inspection should be conducted as follows:

7-Point Container Inspection

- Outside/Undercarriage (before entering facility)
- Inside/Outside Doors
- Right Side
- Left Side
- Front Wall
- Ceiling/Roof
- Floor (inside)

17-Point Tractor and Trailer Inspection

- Bumper
- Engine
- Tires (truck and trailer)
- Truck Floor
- Fuel Tanks

- Cab/Storage Compartments
- Air Tanks
- Drive Shafts
- Fifth Wheel
- Outside/Undercarriage
- Trailer Floor (inside)
- Inside/Outside Doors
- Side Walls
- Ceiling/Roof
- Front Wall
- Refrigerator Unit
- Exhaust

Full information and illustrations are available on the CTPAT Secure Document Library.

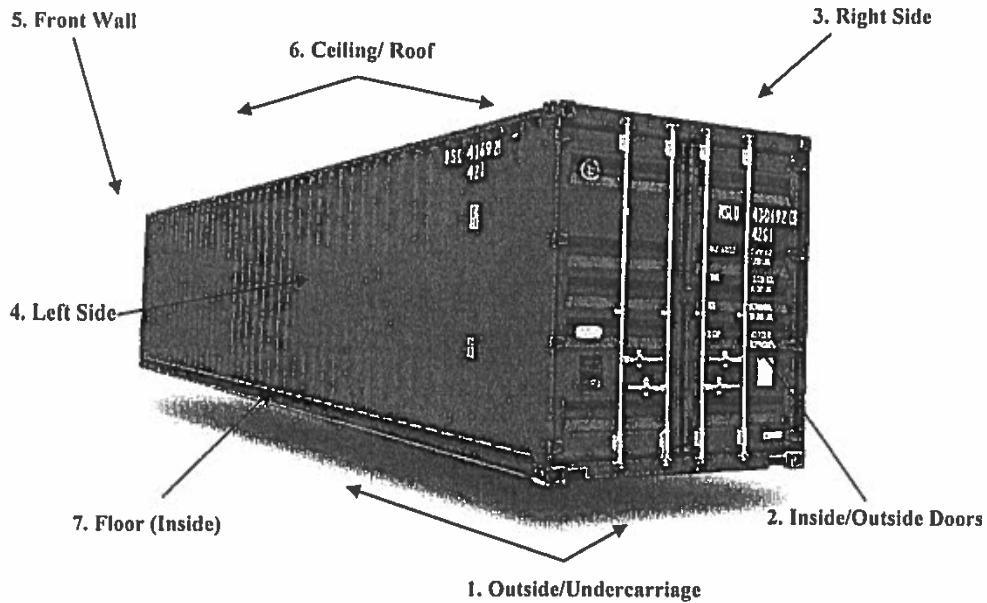
If you are not currently participating in the CTPAT program, we encourage you to review the requirements and benefits outlined by U.S. Customs and Border Protection at www.cbp.gov. Online application for CTPAT is available.

If you have any questions, please call (718) 949-0607. Thank you for your prompt attention to this request.

Sincerely,

MARIBEL INTERNATIONAL

7-Point Container Security Inspection



<u>CHECK POINTS</u>	<u>SECURITY/DAMAGE</u>		<u>REMARKS</u>
1. OUTSIDE / UNDERCARRIAGE	___ YES ___	___ NO ___	_____
2. INSIDE / OUTSIDE DOORS <small>*Bolts, hinges and hardware should be checked</small>	___ YES ___	___ NO ___	_____
3. RIGHT SIDE	___ YES ___	___ NO ___	_____
4. LEFT SIDE	___ YES ___	___ NO ___	_____
5. FRONT WALL	___ YES ___	___ NO ___	_____
6. CEILING / ROOF	___ YES ___	___ NO ___	_____
7. FLOORS (INSIDE)	___ YES ___	___ NO ___	_____
<u>ADDITIONAL CHECK POINTS:</u>			
8. SEAL Mechanism / Number <small>*Upon Departure Check Seal & Verify # w/Documents</small>	___ YES ___	___ NO ___	_____
9. INTERIOR VENTS – Reefer Unit <small>*Vents should not be covered by ceiling or walls.</small>	___ YES ___	___ NO ___	_____
10. WALLS, CEILING & BEAMS <small>*Tap to check for hollow sound</small>	___ YES ___	___ NO ___	_____

NOTE: The purpose of a "security" inspection is to check for hidden compartments, false walls/floors or areas where merchandise, persons or illegal contraband can be hidden and/or disguised by the shipment being loaded. Personnel should be trained to correctly perform and document all inspections. Security inspections can be incorporated as part of the existing inspections conducted for safety, damage and cleanliness. The company should provide personnel responsible for the inspections with appropriate measuring tools (i.e. rubber mallet, mirrors for undercarriage) to effectively complete the task.

***Unsatisfactory containers must not be used at any time. If container is altered or tampered with, it must be immediately reported to the proper authorities. Reports of damage should be confirmed before loading.

Employee Initials/Date

CONTAINER No.		Verified Upon Departure	
SEAL & No.		Checked Upon Departure	

Signature/Date

Driver Verified:	
Inspected By:	
Loaded By:	

Signature of Supervisor/Manager: _____

Container Inspection...

17-Point Tractor & Trailer Inspection Process:

- Procedures should be in place to verify the physical integrity of the trailer structure prior to stuffing, to include the reliability of the locking mechanisms of the doors.
- Border crossing tractors & trailers should be inspected upon arrival at the domestic facility.
- A 17-point Tractor & Trailer Inspection Process is recommended for all trucks and trailers arriving from foreign.



17
Point



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17-Point Tractor & Trailer Inspection

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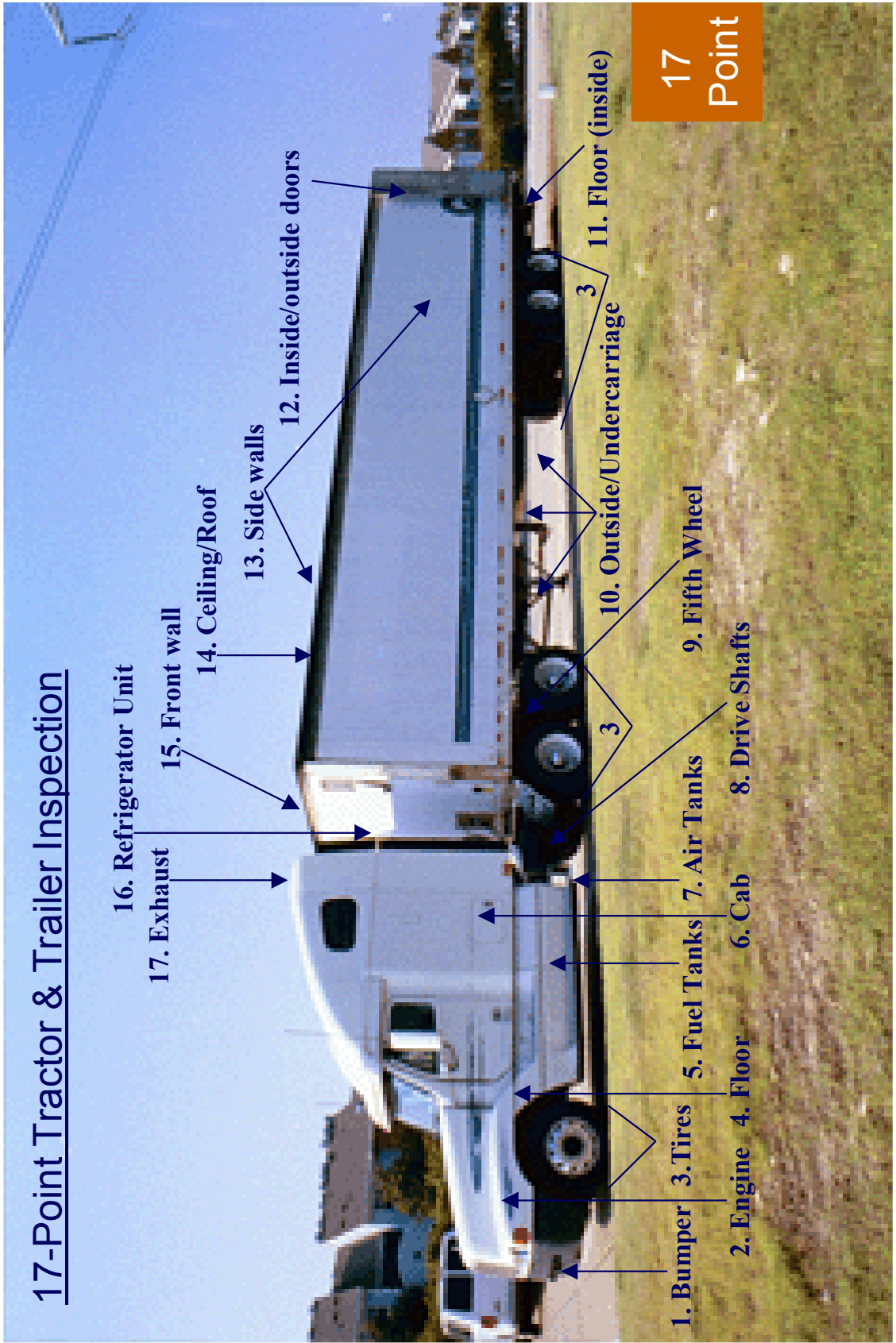
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17-Point Tractor & Trailer Inspection



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Container Inspection...

Inspection of Cargo:

- A cursory inspection of cargo should be conducted when container/trailer doors are opened.
- If contraband is encountered, close container/trailer doors and contact a Supervisor. The Supervisor will contact the proper authorities and CBP.
- Overages or shortages of cargo should be documented and recorded. These records may be needed to conduct future investigations!



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Seal Inspection...

Seal Verification and Inspection Process:

- A seal inspection process should be implemented throughout the supply chain. The V.V.T.T. Seal Inspection Process is a good example of one:

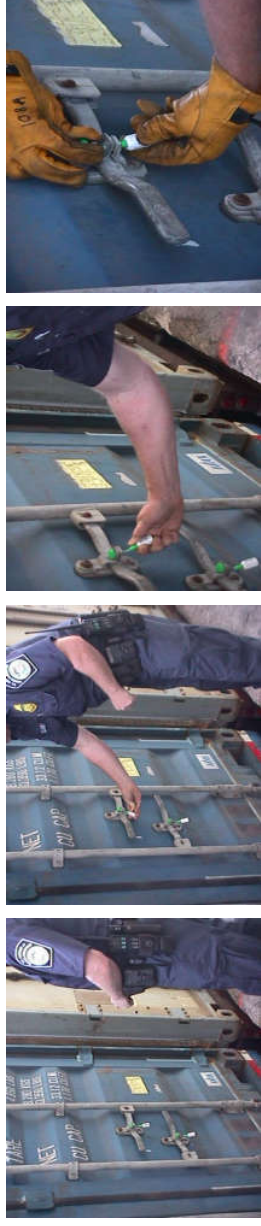


V – View seal & container locking mechanisms.

V – Verify seal number for accuracy.

T – Tug on seal to make sure it is affixed properly.

T – Twist & Turn seal to make sure it does not unscrew.



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Seal Inspection...

Seal Verification and Inspection Process:

- **V**iew seal & container locking mechanisms. Excessive damage to the seal or locking mechanisms must be reported to a Supervisor before opening the container.



Verify
Seal



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Seal Inspection...

Seal Verification and Inspection Process:

- **V**erify seal number for accuracy. Compare with shipping documents, and look for alterations to the seal numbers!



Verify Seal



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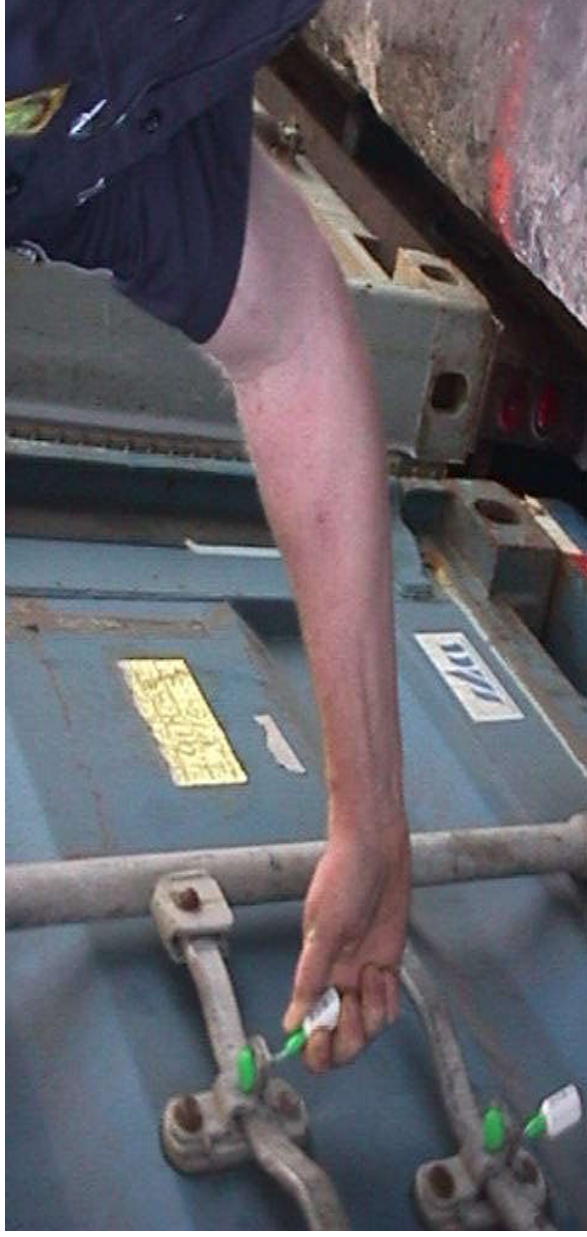


Seal Inspection...

Seal Verification and Inspection Process:

- **T**ug on seal to make sure it is affixed properly. Seals that come apart must be reported to a Supervisor before opening the container. Human error might cause this to happen, or the container might have **contraband** inside!

Verify Seal



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Seal Inspection...

Seal Verification and Inspection Process:

- **T**wist & Turn seal to make sure it does not come off. Seals are threaded, so they can be unscrewed. These altered seals are reusable throughout the supply chain for multiple attacks!



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Seal



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