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# MESSAGE FROM YOUR BUSINESS AGENTS

## PORT SECURITY ISSUES

Adopt these as your personal rules for working on a marine terminal and you'll avoid a ton of problems.

1. Always display proper identification when you enter a terminal or whenever you are asked to do so while you are working on a terminal.
2. Never go to a terminal without proper identification.
3. Always comply with the requests of the security guards on the terminal.
4. Never enter a terminal if you don't have a legitimate reason for being there.

Examples of non-legitimate reasons for being on a marine terminal:

- You want to see how close a ship is to finishing in case you might be able to pick up a shorty at the next dispatch.
- Your husband, wife, boyfriend, girlfriend (or someone who seems to be a likely future candidate for one of those steady positions) is working there.
- You want to line up your favorite UTR for next shift.

Examples of legitimate reasons for being on a marine terminal:

- You have been dispatched to a job on that terminal on that shift.
- You have been instructed to come back to job on that terminal on that shift.
- You work steady on that terminal on that shift.

***And just in case you missed the point...  
In almost all cases “a legitimate reason for being there”  
means that you are working there.***

If you should happen to run into any trouble because you are not in compliance with the rules above, do not make a dramatic issue out of it on the spot and above all, avoid any antagonistic confrontations. If you have been asked to leave the terminal – or if leaving is the only way to avoid making a scene, do so immediately and call your Business Agent.

You will appreciate why you should pay careful attention to these guidelines if you understand how the Port Security regulations are set up.

Each terminal is required to have and enforce a Facility Security Plan. Enforcing these plans included reporting security incidents to the government. You are going to need a clearance to work on marine terminals – eventually this will be a TWIC (Transportation Worker Identification Card). The screening for the TWIC is a matter of checking your name against lists of people the government accepts as security threats. Long story short, unless you can come up with a way to do longshore work somewhere other than a marine terminal, you probably do not want your name coming out on a new list of people involved in security incidents.

### **SAFETY TIPS**

- Wear your seat belt and safety vests at all times.
- Do not use your cell phones while working.
- Notify your foreman for any safety violations

### **LONGSHORE BATHROOM HUMOR**

Question: How many Longshoremen does it take to keep a bathroom on a marine terminal clean?

Answer: 5,067 Class “A” registrants, 2,464 Class “B” registrants and 8,324 casuals, you have a problem with that?

The Union is working hard to keep the restrooms on our facilities clean. Your Business Agents are constantly beefing unsatisfactory restroom conditions on terminals with the employers but there’s only so much we can do. Please remember that it’s ultimately up to all you brothers and sisters to do your share: use the waste baskets, flush the toilets and generally do your part to keep things clean and decent for the next brother or sister that will use that same restroom after you do. Thank you.

Fraternally,  
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