

Cruise Terminal Security

Cayman Islands – A Tender Port

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Overview

- The Port of George Town, Grand Cayman, operates as a cruise tender port from 6am to 6pm daily and as a cargo port from 6pm to 6am daily.
- The Port handles approximately 600 cruise calls annually which brings between 1.5 and 1.8 million tourists to the island.



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Royal Watler Cruise Terminal

Cargo Distribution Centre



Regulation

- The Port Authority is regulated and inspected by the UK's Department for Transportation.



**CERTIFICATE OF
PORT FACILITY SECURITY PLAN APPROVAL**

Certificate Number: **DfT/ 1329** **UNITED KINGDOM**

Issued under the authority of
The Government of
THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND

Name of the Port Facility: **Port of George Town**

Address: **Port Authority of the Cayman Islands, P.O Box 1358 GT, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands B.W.I.**

THIS IS TO CERTIFY:

That this port facility has an approved Port Facility Security Plan (PFSP) in accordance with Part A of the International Ship and Port Facility Security (ISPS) Code.

This Certificate is valid for five (5) years from the date of issue but is subject to verification by Department for Transport (DfT) inspection.

Issued at: **The Department for Transport
Maritime Security & Resilience Division
Great Minster House
33 Horseferry Road
London
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(Place of Issue of the Certificate)

Date of Issue: **23/04/2015**

Signed: *S A. Hilton*
(Signature of Duly Authorised Official Issuing the Certificate)

Staffing Configuration

- Port – Supervisor & Control Room
- Contracted – Access Control
- Police – Deployed as they deem necessary based on cruise numbers

K9 Security at Access Control Point to Terminal



Coordination Between Parties

- Port and Ship – Pre-Arrival Notice; Security Supervisor liaison with Ship Security; DoS.
- Guards – Daily Briefings
- Law Enforcement – Direct liaison & Port Security Committee

Communication

- Pre-Arrival Notices – Ship movements; Passenger & Crew Details.
- Vetting by Immigration prior to Arrival.
- Intelligence sharing – Port, Police, Immigration, Customs and other Ports regionally.
- Bridge and Port Security via VHF; Deputy PFSO with SSO on pier

Training

- Basic Training as per the syllabus that the UK sets
- General Refresher Course annually
- Exercises with Cruise Lines, Law Enforcement & US Coast Guard
- Tabletops with Public Health for pandemics. Policy of 100 persons or 3% of persons onboard the ship.
- Specialist Training – Some. Mass Casualty and Incident Command. Other specialist training, such as Active Shooter training is based on knowledge gained on conferences we attend, coupled with research on the subject and then imparting that knowledge by various methods, including exercises.

Security Challenges With Cruise & Cargo

- Drug Smuggling – cruise & cargo
- Gun smuggling - cargo
- Deportees - cruise
- Occasional alcohol related disagreements – cruise
- Independents vs Pre-Booked Ship Excursions -cruise
- Public Access to non-restricted areas of terminal – cruise
- Demands of owners of shops on Terminal

Dividing Line to Separate Pre-Booked from Non-Pre-booked



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- Always had a little, but after recession it has grown.
- Challenge – Keeping it to a manageable level. Want to allow the less fortunate the opportunity to earn a living and at the same time make it harder for anyone with criminal, or terrorism intentions to gather sympathizers. One gets better information when people have a vested interest.