SUPPLY CHAIN SECURITY AUDIT PROGRAM
CUSTOMS-TRADE PARTNERSHIP AGAINST TERRORISM (C-TPAT)

In 2001, the US Government Customs and Border Protection (CBP) launched the C-TPAT program to address security risks in the U.S. market. C-TPAT is a voluntary government-business initiative to build cooperative relationships that strengthen and improve overall international supply chain and U.S. border security. To date, over 10,000 companies have joined C-TPAT.

C-TPAT member companies benefit from this program by having fewer inspections on their shipments coming into the United States. On average, members are three and a half times less likely to be inspected and seven times less likely to receive an intense examination of their cargo. Fewer customs delays mean better profits on seasonal items for retailers and faster time to market.

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C-TPAT SECURITY CRITERIA

- Physical Security
- Container and Trailer Security
- Physical Access Controls
- Information Technology Security
- Procedural Security
- Personnel Security
- Security Training and Threat Awareness
- Business Partner Requirements

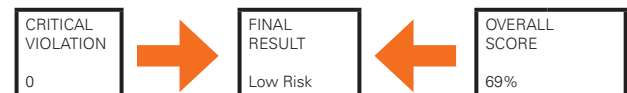## BENEFITS OF THE SGS AUDIT PROGRAM

- SGS has developed an audit protocol to assist retail companies improve their security practices.
- Our scored audit program makes it easier for clients to identify areas of vulnerability and risk.
- By using SGS, companies can reduce their audit fatigue and decrease travel costs with our extensive network of auditors.
- Today, SGS has in excess of 200 C-TPAT auditors in 60 countries around the world to help your company assess the security of its supply chain.

SUPPLY CHAIN SECURITY PROGRAM

- SGS will send you a short pre-assessment questionnaire to complete, that will provide us with the size of each location, as well as contact information.
- Once your questionnaire is received, a proposal will be sent to you.
- If your audits are overseas, we will liaise with our local SGS offices in the countries you plan to execute your audits.
- Upon completion of the audit, a report will be sent to you that is scored based on the findings of the audit.

EXAMPLE OF PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

		No. of Critical Violations	No. of Falls Requirements	No, of Meets Requirements	No. of Exceeds Requirements	Section Score	Sections Score (%)
1	Physical Security	0	12	9	0	18	60%
2	Container and Trailer Security	0	1	9	0	18	95%
3	Physical Access Controls	0	6	7	0	14	70%
4	Information Technology Security	0	1	4	0	8	89%
5	Procedural Security	0	3	6	0	12	80%
6	Personnel Security	0	6	2	0	4	40%
7	Security Training and Threat Awareness	0	5	1	0	2	29%
8	Business Partner Requirement	0	4	6	0	12	92%

CRITICAL VIOLATION		FINAL RESULT		OVERALL SCORE
0	→	Low Risk	←	69%

BENEFITS OF USING SGS

- SGS is the global leader in inspections, verification, testing, and certification services;
- SGS has one of the largest networks of highly trained auditors, with industry specific experience and first-hand knowledge of local conditions and laws;
- SGS has a robust scored audit checklist that assists you in assessing your security risks.
- SGS has expert technical staff to assist you with any questions you may have.

WHY SGS?

- SGS has experience of conducting thousands of audits against third party, industry and clients' specific codes and social compliance programs.
- SGS has one of the largest networks of highly trained auditors, with industry specific experience and first-hand knowledge of local conditions and norms. Our global network of auditors enables quick response and cost-effective solutions in most major manufacturing areas.
- SGS assists clients in developing and executing security programs on a sustainable basis.

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WHEN YOU NEED TO BE SURE

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