

National Terrorism Advisory System (NTAS) and Maritime Security (MARSEC) Levels

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NTAS and MARSEC Levels

Maritime Security (MARSEC) Level Implementation in Relation to the National Terrorism Advisory System (NTAS)

CG Commandant, in consultation with SECDHS, sets MARSEC Levels. The Captain of the Port (COTP) may raise in AOR, only in rare exigent circumstances.

Only the Commandant can lower MARSEC Levels.

NTAS and MARSEC

No direct linkage or correlation



MARSEC

3

2

1

NTAS Alert Level

Imminent

Elevated

None

Notional Relationship Only



NTAS and MARSEC Levels

STATUS:

- Maritime Security and Response Operations (MSRO) Manual COMDTINST M16600.6, Change 1
- Area Maritime Security Plan Policy & Guidance Update (COMDTINST 16601.28 & NVIC 09-02)
- MTSA II Notice of Proposed Rulemaking
- CGHQ / Area CDR / District CDR staff MARSEC Change exercises

NTAS and MARSEC Levels

STATUS (continued):

- Changing Landscape:
 - PPD 8 Implementation
 - Cyber Security
 - DHS Policy on Resilience
 - HSPD 7 replacement

NTAS and MARSEC Levels

- DHS NTAS link is:
<http://www.dhs.gov/alerts>
- NTAS Public Guide is available there.
- NTAS Interim Stakeholder Handbook shelved

Questions?

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NTAS and MARSEC LEVELS

BACK-UP SLIDES



Maritime Security Levels

MARSEC Level 3

“Terrorist Incident Imminent or Post- Incident”

- Most focused security posture
- Post-incident or attack imminent
- **Sustainment**

MARSEC Level 2

“Heightened Risk”

- Increased security posture
- Increased specific or non-specific threat
- Nationwide or region or port
- Sustainment

MARSEC Level 1

“Significant Risk”

- USCG’s baseline posture
- General, non-specific threats
- Nationwide
- Sustained deterrence

The adoption of the new National Terrorism Advisory System (NTAS) informs, but does not change how Maritime Security levels are implemented.