



Vessel Security Officer

Course Title:	Vessel Security Officer (VSO)
Regulatory & Technical Reference:	33 CFR 104.215 as mandated by the USCG and 13.1 (Part B) & 13.2 (Part A & B) of the ISPS Code
Target Groups:	Employees that are assigned to the duties and responsibilities of a Vessel Security Officer.
Prerequisites:	Valid TWIC and Sea Service required.
Objective:	This course is intended to provide the knowledge required for personnel who are assigned responsibilities as VSO to perform their duties in accordance with the requirements of the Maritime Transportation Security Act of 2002.
Course Design:	The classroom segment will cover maritime security policy, ISPS Code, security responsibilities, vessel security assessments, vessel security plans, the threat, security equipment, on-board security procedures, security levels, security training, security drills, security exercises, security administration, and sensitive security material.
Completion Requirements:	Classroom presentation followed by passing a written examination.
Course Length:	16 hours.
Class Size:	1 – 20 students.