

# USCG AUXILIARY D1SR HOMELAND SECURITY PATROL CHECKLIST

This checklist provides a framework for systematic coverage of key Marine Safety items while on patrol. For Maximum utility, it should be customized for your patrol area significant observations should be faxed to the Marine Safety Office and urgent ones should be called in immediately.

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MISSION DATE                      FACILITY REGISTRATION #                      ORDER #                      FACILITY CALL SIGN #

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COXSWAIN NAME                      PATROL LOCATION                      TOTAL MISSION HOURS

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**Category #**

**Notes & Observations**

**Member Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Member Number** \_\_\_\_\_

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>1</b> <b>Coast Watch Activities</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Suspicious persons conducting unusual activities.</li> <li>▪ Individuals establishing roadside stands near marinas or other waterfront facilities.</li> <li>▪ Unknown persons photographing or creating diagrams.</li> <li>▪ Unknown or suspicious persons loitering for extended periods of time.</li> <li>▪ Unknown or suspicious persons renting watercraft.</li> <li>▪ Suspicious vendors attempting to sell or deliver goods or drop off packages.</li> <li>▪ Vessels circling in and around pilings.</li> <li>▪ Noteworthy or unusual marine mammal sightings or observations.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>2</b> <b>Waterfront Facilities</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Physical condition of piers, docks, bulkheads &amp; bridges.</li> <li>▪ Suspicious activity or attachments to bridges &amp; overpasses.</li> <li>▪ Vendors or roadside stands recently established near commercial/passenger terminals or waterside facilities.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> Report observations to your command. Do not move or investigate any suspicious devices or packages.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>3</b> <b>Commercial Vessel Activity</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Report vessels loitering offshore near commercial/passenger vessel activities.</li> <li>▪ Record name/number &amp; location of cargo &amp; passenger ships, tank vessels, commercial fishing vessels &amp; barges moored or at anchor.</li> <li>▪ Report liquid bulk transfers: ships bunkering, transfers between barges, vessels, facilities, or trucks in anchorages. Monitor for general compliance. Observe &amp; report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Vessel names or numbers</li> <li>– Berth or anchorage locations</li> <li>– Trucking company names</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Report any hot work operations (such as welding or cutting) taking place on vessels or at waterfront facilities.</li> <li>▪ Observe vessel load-line positions &amp; report suspected loading violations.</li> <li>▪ Monitor vessels apparently in lay-up: no activity &amp; absence of any crew. Report any: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Possible pollution discharges</li> <li>– Unsafe moorings</li> <li>– Listing caused by flooding</li> <li>– Multiple vessels breasting out, causing congestion</li> <li>– Possible vessel fires</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> After reporting, patrolling unit may remain in the area until otherwise directed, provided there is no criminal activity or danger to the unit.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>4</b> <b>Hazards to Navigation</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Report presence of obstructions to navigation. Include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Vessels anchored in any channel</li> <li>– Floating logs or other debris</li> <li>– Improper markings or lighting of vessels, wrecks, structures, or bridges</li> <li>– Negligent operations such as overloading, excessive speed, or wake damage</li> <li>– Vessels damaged so as to affect safe operation or seaworthiness</li> <li>– Abandoned or derelict vessels</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>5</b> <b>Aids to Navigation</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Report discrepancies in position, operation, or charting of aids to navigation.</li> <li>▪ Report inoperative bridge lights and signals.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>6</b> <b>Pollution Incidents</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Monitor for sheen, sludge, or emulsion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Around vessels/barges, oil docks &amp; outfalls: Any discharge from a vessel is suspect and any discharge of oil from a vessel is prohibited.</li> <li>– Runoff from storm sewers and along riverbanks and shorelines after rainfall</li> <li>– Around waterfront construction sites</li> <li>– Near dredging operations</li> <li>– Local projects such as dredging, diving, waterfront construction with equipment in the water</li> <li>– Presence of pollution containment booms or pollution cleanup equipment or operations</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Report oil or hazardous substances around vessels or waterfront facilities.</li> <li>▪ Report drums, cylinders, oil tanks, or gas cans in the water or with the potential to enter a waterway.</li> <li>▪ Report suspected pollution incidents immediately. Include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Location of the incident</li> <li>– Body of water affected or threatened</li> <li>– Material released, if known</li> <li>– Size of slick or sheen</li> <li>– Source and cause of release, if known</li> <li>– Location and identification of vessel or facility involved or responsible, if known</li> <li>– Any injuries, deaths, or evacuations</li> <li>– Any cleanup operations observed</li> <li>– Any actions taken or other authorities notified or involved</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> The party responsible for a spill must notify the National Response Center at 1-800 424-8802.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Do not attempt to enter areas where oil or other pollutants are present. Maintain a position upwind or upstream of the discharge and provide reports as requested. Do not attempt to collect samples. Do take photographs if possible. Record visual observations of product characteristics, source, location, and prevailing wind and sea conditions in your logbook and HARPAT record form. Stand by the area until properly relieved.</p>