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	DEPARTMENT OF MARINE SERVICES AND MERCHANT SHIPPING (ADOMS)
	<b>The United States Coast Guard updated Port Security Advisory for Libya, April 2015</b>

### Information on the United States (US) Coast Guard updated Port Security Advisory for Libya

1. Civil unrest and weak governmental institutions in Libya continue to be a concern for the international community. The US Government has concerns regarding whether the port facility security requirements of the International Ship and Port Facility Security (ISPS) Code are still being comprehensively executed and maintained.
2. In general, vessels are advised to minimize ship-port interface activities such as crew changes, bunkering, and taking on stores. In addition, the US Coast Guard - **Port Security Advisory (2-15)**<sup>1</sup>, specifically recommends that vessels calling on ports in Libya take the following actions:
  - .1 Take measures consistent with the ship's security plan equivalent to Security Level 2;
  - .2 Ensure that each access point to the ship is guarded and that the guards have total visibility of the exterior (both landside and waterside) of the vessel;
  - .3 Attempt to execute a Declaration of Security between the vessel and the port facility;
  - .4 Document/record specific security actions taken in the ship's security records;
  - .5 Report the actions taken directly to the cognizant US Coast Guard Captain of the Port prior to US arrival.
3. Further, vessels are advised to proceed with extreme caution when approaching all Libyan oil terminals, particularly in eastern Libya, due to potential violent and criminal activities based upon recent attempts by armed, non-state actors to engage in illicit export of oil.
4. Effective April 24, 2015, implementing the aforementioned recommended security measures will generally expedite entry into the US for vessels arriving whose last five (5) port calls included a port in Libya. Failure to properly implement these actions may result in delay or denial of entry into the United States.

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<sup>1</sup> For the latest USCG Port Security Advisory visit:  
<https://homeport.uscg.mil> > Alerts and Notices > Port Security Advisory