



## Container and Seal Inspection Workshop



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# Inspection Workshop

Intro

This inspection workshop is intended to help you recognize containers and seals that have been compromised for the purpose of smuggling terrorist, terrorist weapons and contraband.

The methods used within this workshop handout do not supersede company policies and procedures regarding security at the workplace.

If suspicious cargo and/or contraband is detected, immediately notify your Supervisor. If needed, contact the proper authorities and U.S. Customs & Border Protection.



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# Inspection Workshop

The inspection workshop will cover:

- Seal Affixing Process
- Seal Verification and Inspection Process
- 7-Point Container Inspection Process
- 17-Point Truck and Trailer Inspection Process



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# Policies and Procedures...

All containers, tractors and trailers arriving at facility should have:

- Documentation verified.
- Seal number verified and inspected for tampering.
- 7-Point container inspection conducted.
- 17-Point tractor and trailer inspection conducted



7-Point Inspection



17-Point Inspection

# Policies and Procedures...

Inspection processes should be implemented at all foreign and domestic locations:

- Manufacturers
- Suppliers
- Vendors
- Sea Carriers
- Logistical Service Providers
- Distribution Centers
- Container Storage Depots
- Warehouses



**\* The more locations these processes are implemented, the higher level of security your shipment will have.**

# Container Seals...

## Seal Affixing Process:

- Written procedures must stipulate how seals are to be controlled and affixed to loaded containers - to include procedures for recognizing and reporting compromised seals and/or containers to U.S. Customs and Border Protection or the appropriate foreign authority.

Affix  
Seal



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# Container Seals...

## Seal Affixing Process:

- Only designated, authorized employees must distribute and affix container seals for integrity purposes. The fewer people who have access to seal(s), the better!
- Unauthorized employees must **never** handle container seals!

Affix  
Seal



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# Container Seals...

## Seal Affixing Process:

- At point of stuffing, procedures must be in place to properly seal and maintain the integrity of shipping containers.
- All seals used must meet or exceed the current PAS/ ISO 17712 standards for high security seals.
- Seals should be affixed to the right door of the container on the hasp that has the welded rivet. This practice will raise the level of security for your shipment.
- After the seal is affixed to the container, an authorized employee should make sure that the seal is secure by pulling down on it.

Affix  
Seal



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# Container Seals...

## Seal Affixing Process:

Affix  
Seal



Seals should be affixed to the right door  
on the hasp that has the welded rivet.



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# Container Seals...

## Seal Affixing Process:



Verify Seal

Make sure seal is affixed properly,  
then pull down on seal.



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# Seal Inspection...

## Seal Verification and Inspection Process:

- A seal inspection process should be implemented throughout the supply chain. The V.V.T.T. Seal Inspection Process is a good example of one:
  - V** – View seal & container locking mechanisms.
  - V** – Verify seal number for accuracy.
  - T** – Tug on seal to make sure it is affixed properly.
  - T** – Twist & Turn seal to make sure it does not unscrew.

Verify  
Seal



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# Seal Inspection...

## Seal Verification and Inspection Process:

- **V**iew seal & container locking mechanisms. Excessive damage to the seal or locking mechanisms must be reported to a Supervisor before opening the container.

Verify  
Seal



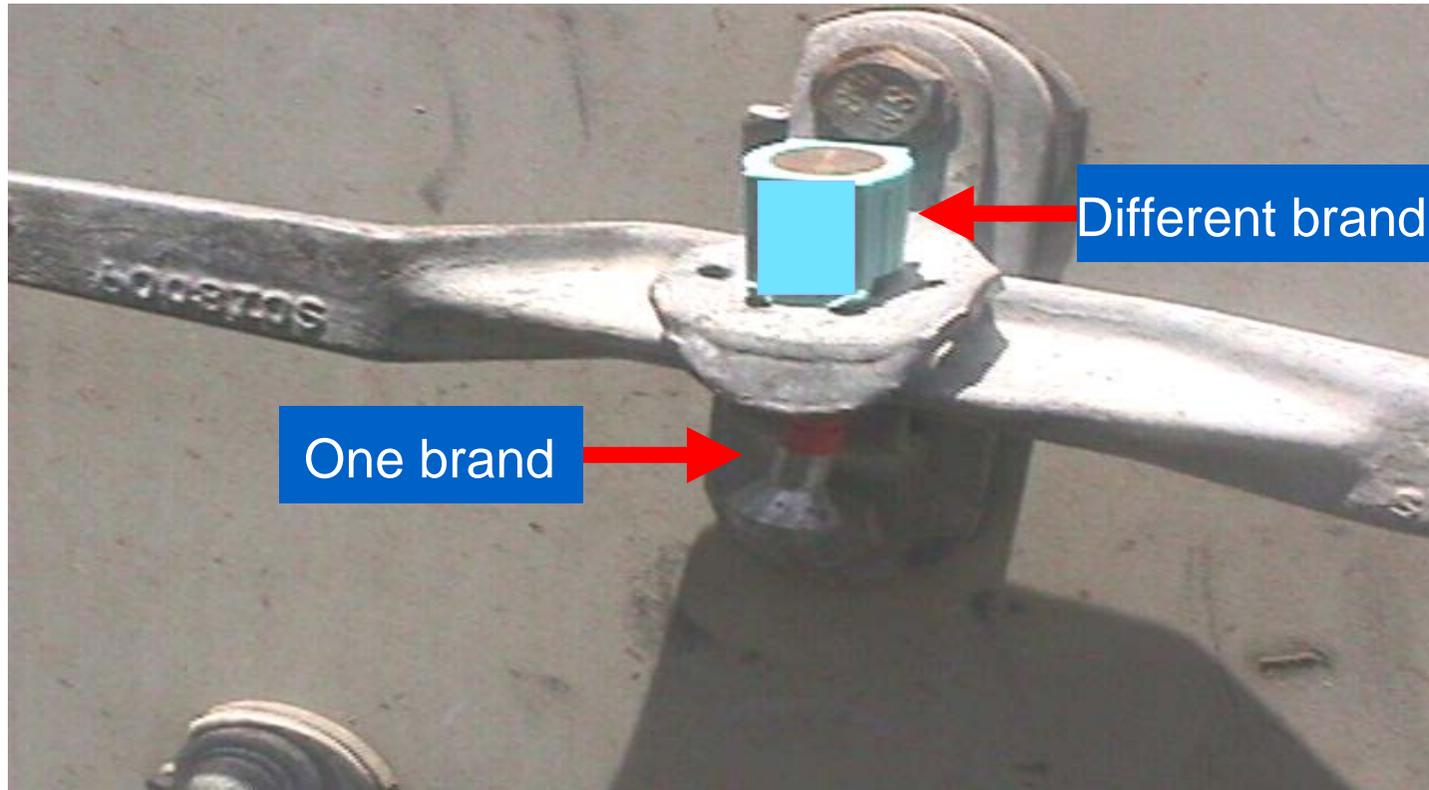
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# Seal Inspection...

## Seal Verification and Inspection Process:

- **V**iew seal & container locking mechanisms.



Verify  
Seal

Different brands of seals attached together.



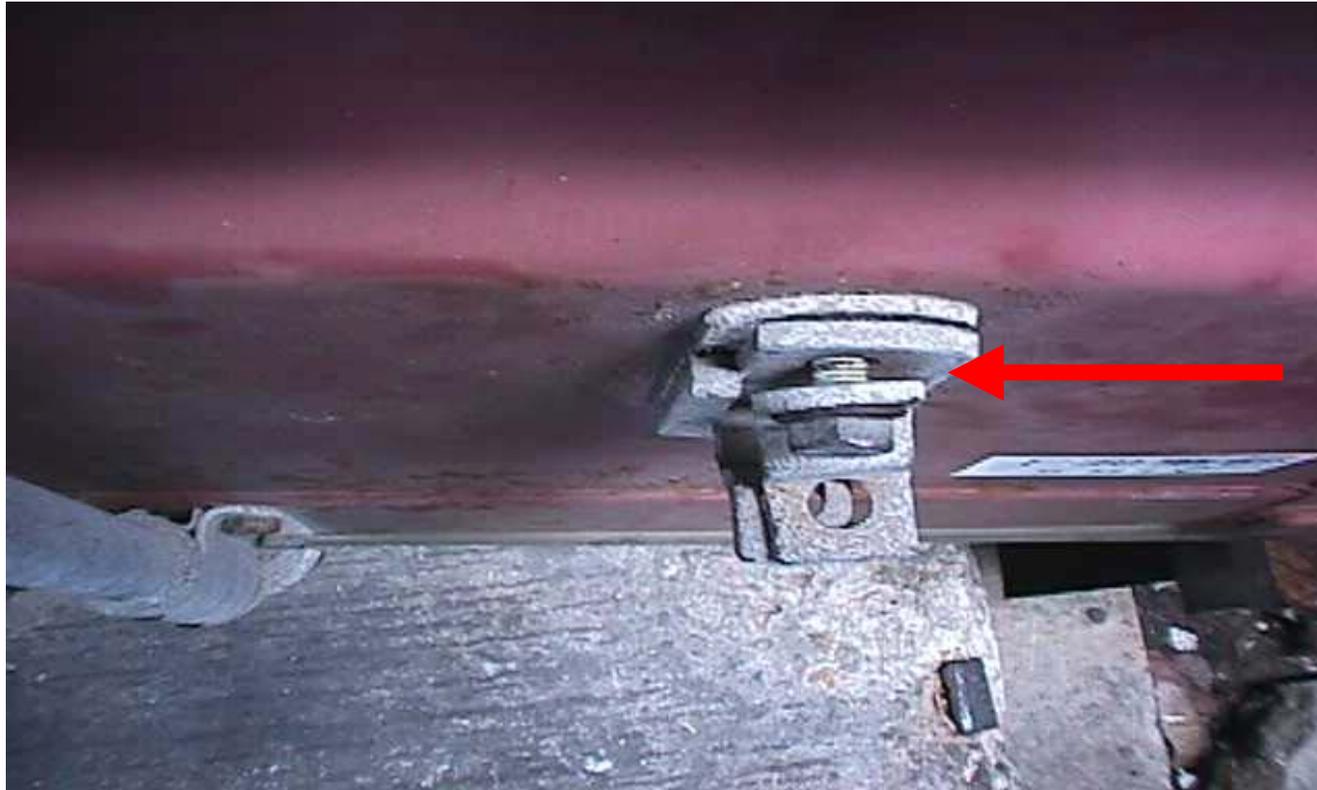
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# Seal Inspection...

## Seal Verification and Inspection Process:

- **V**iew seal & container locking mechanisms.



Verify  
Seal

Look for loose bolt and hasp.



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# Seal Inspection...

## Seal Verification and Inspection Process:

- **V**erify seal number for accuracy. Compare with shipping documents, and look for alterations to the seal numbers!

Verify  
Seal



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# Seal Inspection...

## Seal Verification and Inspection Process:

- **V**erify seal number for accuracy.

Verify  
Seal



Seal number manifested is correct. Wrong seal brand normally used by company.

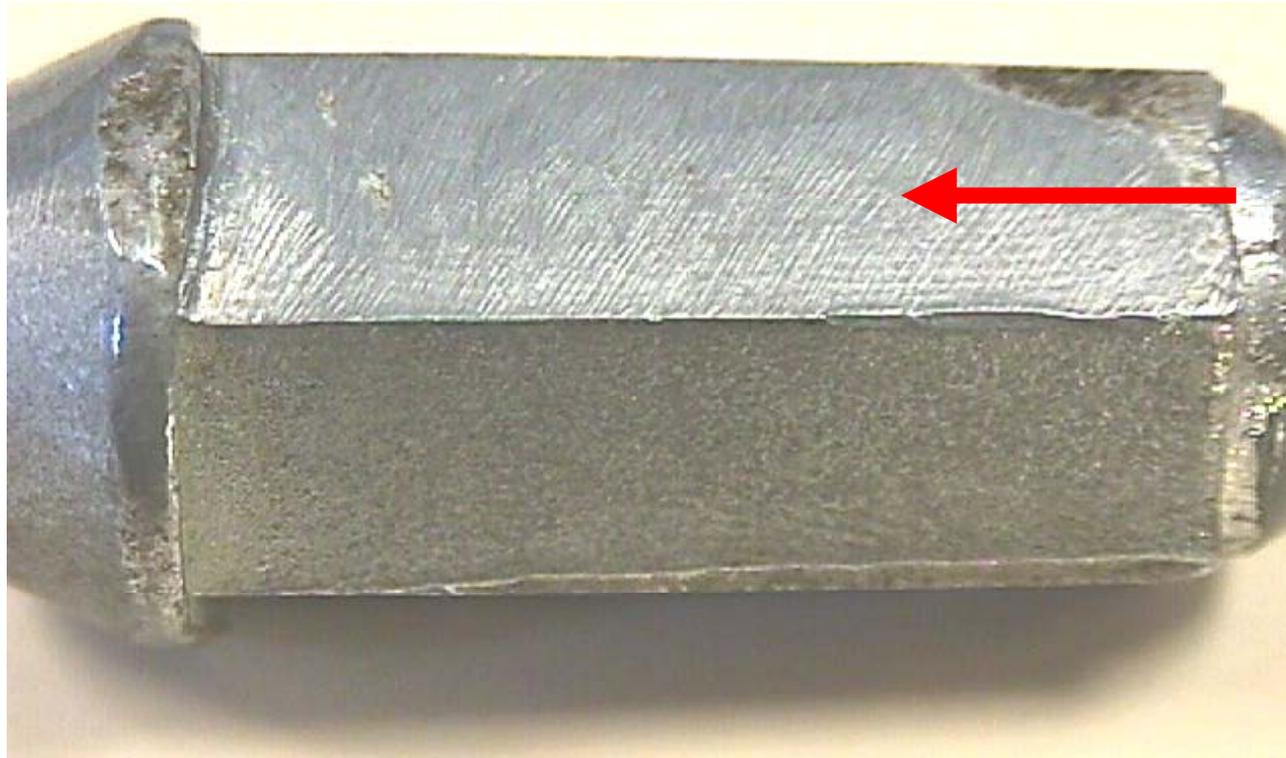


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# Seal Inspection...

## Seal Verification and Inspection Process:

- **V**erify seal number for accuracy.



Verify  
Seal

Original number's sanded off.

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# Seal Inspection...

## Seal Verification and Inspection Process:

- **T**ug on seal to make sure it is affixed properly. Seals that come apart must be reported to a Supervisor before opening the container. Human error might cause this to happen, or the container might have **contraband** inside!

Verify  
Seal



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# Seal Inspection...

## Seal Verification and Inspection Process:

- **T**ug on seal to make sure it is affixed properly.



Verify  
Seal

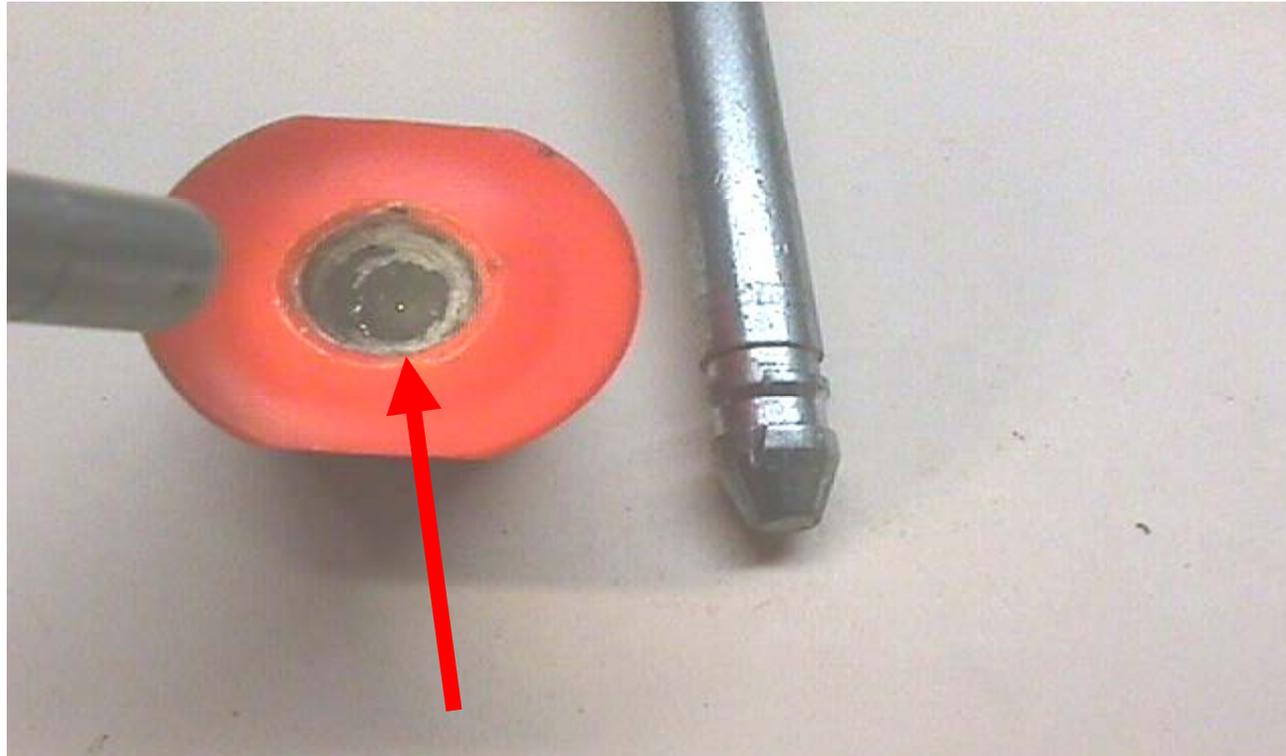
Seal stem is bent. Seal does not lock properly.



# Seal Inspection...

## Seal Verification and Inspection Process:

- **T**ug on seal to make sure it is affixed properly.



Verify  
Seal

Glue inside locking mechanism. Seal does not lock properly.



# Seal Inspection...

## Seal Verification and Inspection Process:

- **T**wist & Turn seal to make sure it does not come off. Seals are threaded, so they can be unscrewed. These altered seals are reusable throughout the supply chain for multiple attacks!

Verify  
Seal



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# Seal Inspection...

## Seal Verification and Inspection Process:

- **T**wist & Turn seal to make sure it does not unscrew.



Verify  
Seal

Twist counter-clockwise to unscrew.



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# Seal Inspection...

## Seal Verification and Inspection Process:

- **T**wist & Turn seal to make sure it does not unscrew.



Verify  
Seal

Multiple tampered seals.

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# Container Inspection...

**\*Empty containers arriving at your facility might not always be empty!**



Inspect

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# Container Inspection...

## Ammunition/Weapons:



Inspect

155-Millimeter Howitzer Shell

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# Container Inspection...

## Ammunition/Weapons:



Inspect

500-LB Spent Training Missile



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# Container Inspection...

Stowaways:



Inspect

**32 Illegal Stowaways!**



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# Container Inspection...

**Contraband:**



Inspect

**Over 3,000 lbs. of Cocaine!**



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# Container Inspection...

## 7-Point Container Inspection Process:

- Procedures must be in place to verify the physical integrity of the container structure prior to stuffing, to include the reliability of the locking mechanisms of the doors.
- A 7-point Container Inspection Process is recommended for all containers.

Inspect



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# Container Inspection...

## 7-Point Container Inspection Process:

1. Outside/ Undercarriage (before entering facility)
2. Inside/ Outside doors
3. Right side
4. Left Side
5. Front Wall
6. Ceiling/Roof
7. Floor (Inside)



7  
Point

# 7-Point Container Inspection

5. Front Wall

3. Right Side

6. Ceiling/ Roof

4. Left Side

7  
Point

2. Inside/Outside Doors

7. Floor (Inside)

1. Outside/ Undercarriage



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# 7-Point Container Inspection...

## 1. Undercarriage:

- Inspect prior to entering facility
- Support beams should be visible



7  
Point  
Under

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