

7-Point Container Inspection...

1. Undercarriage:



7
Point
Under

Solid plate/ Support beams not visible.



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1. Undercarriage:



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Under

432 lbs. of cocaine!

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7-Point Container Inspection...

2. Outside/Inside Doors:

- Secure and reliable locking mechanisms
- Look for different color bonding material
- Loose Bolts
- Plates and repairs



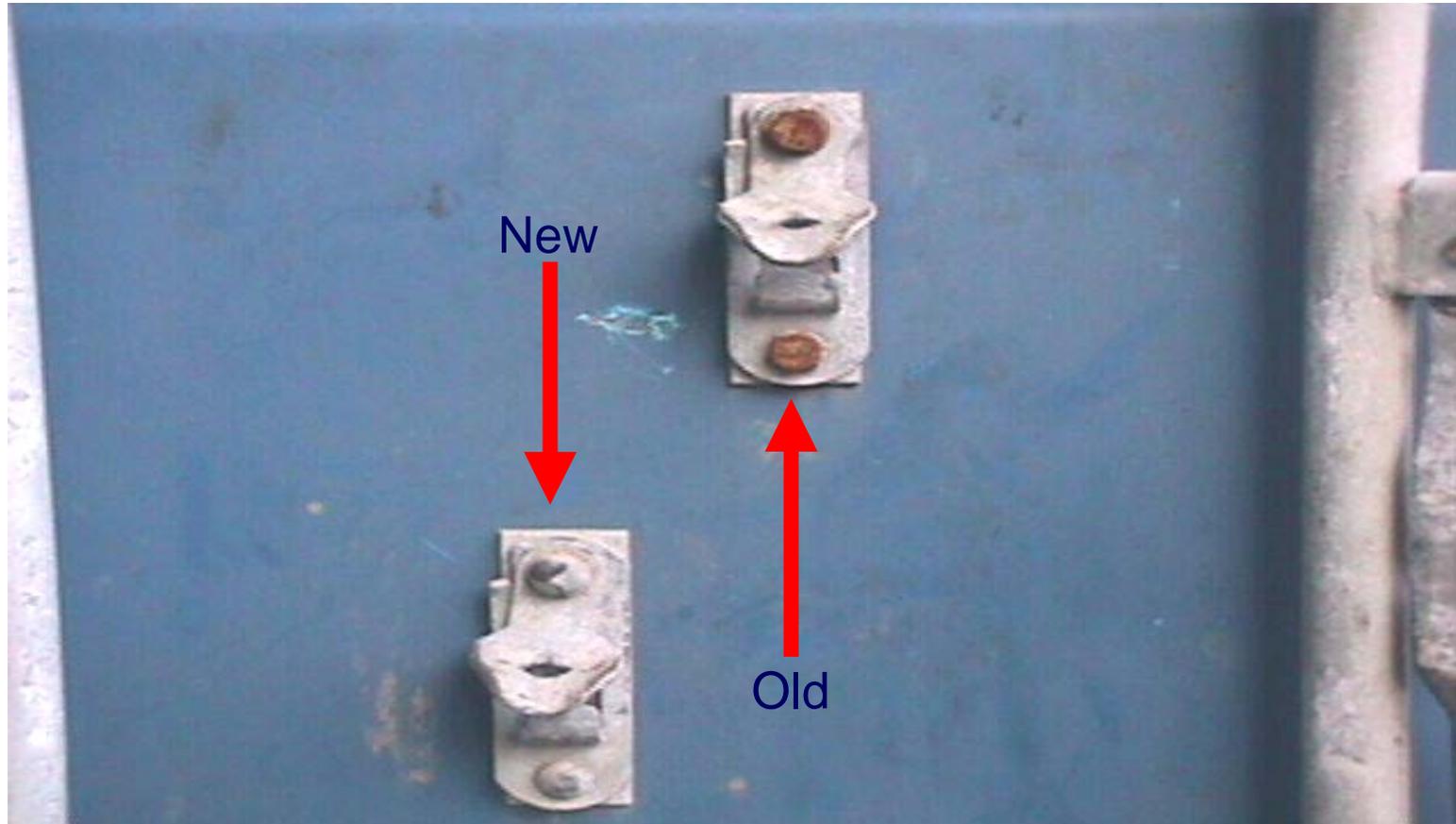
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Doors

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2. Outside Doors:



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Doors

Rivet type & color/ New & old rivets together.

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2. Outside Doors:



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Detachable or loose bolts can allow access inside container.



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2. Inside Doors:



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Chemicals are used to make bolts look old and rusty.



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2. Inside Doors:



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Non-factory putty keeps bolts in place.



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2. Inside Doors:



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Solid plates should not cover standard container cavities.

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2. Inside Doors:



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Container cavities. Five container shipment/ 837 lbs. of cocaine.



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7-Point Container Inspection...

3 & 4. Right/Left Sides:

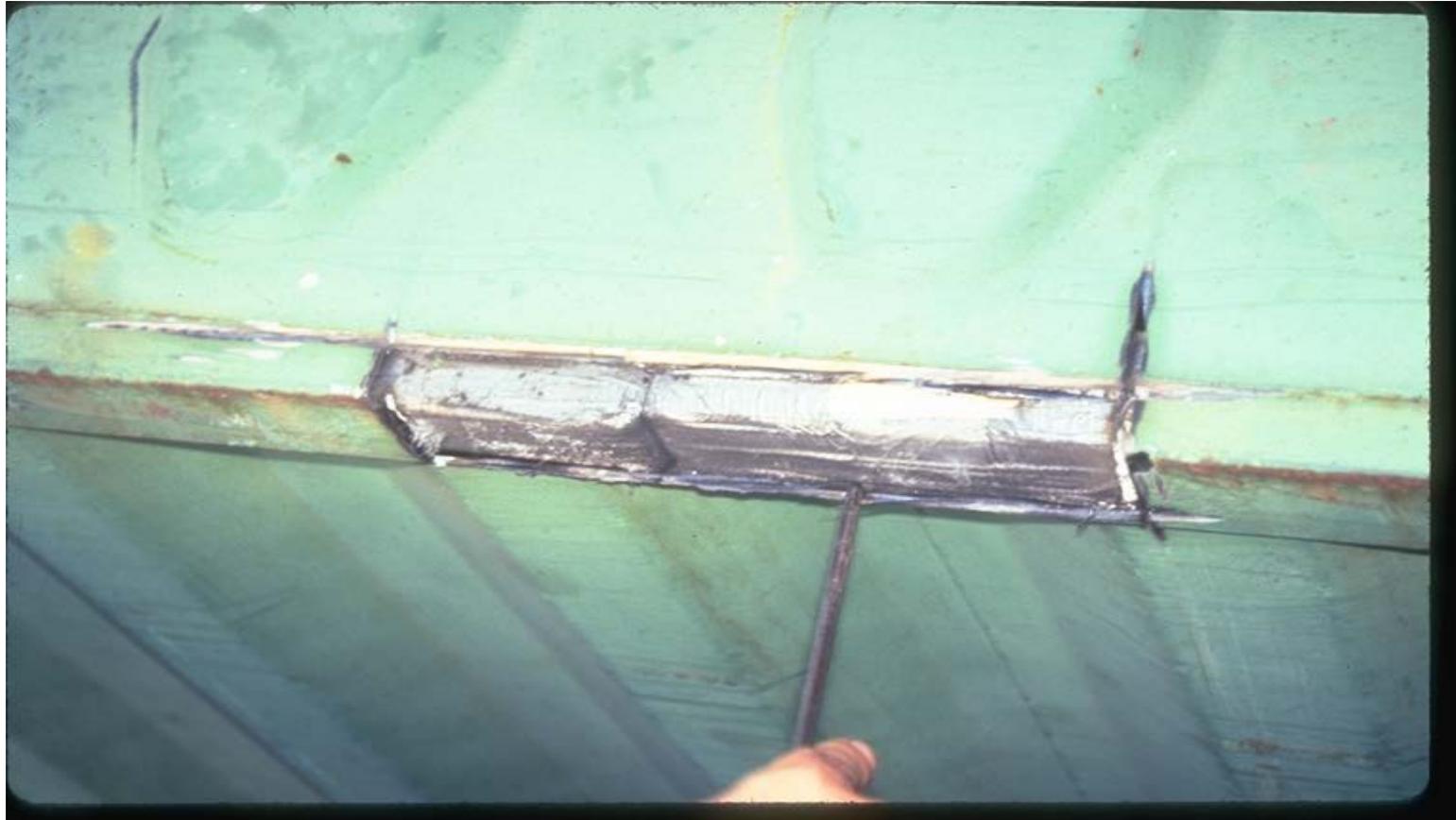
- Unusual repairs to structural beams.
- Repairs to the walls on the inside of the container must be visible on the outside.
- Use tool to tap side walls. Listen & feel for hollow sound!



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Sides

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3 & 4. Right/Left Sides:



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Sides

17 Container Shipment/ 1,275 lbs. of cocaine



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3 & 4. Right/Left Sides:



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Sides

55 lbs. of cocaine/ One beam!



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5. Front wall:

- Blocks and vents are visible.
- Use tool to tap front wall. Listen and feel for hollow sound!
- Range finder, measuring tape and/or string can be utilized to determine the length of container.



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Wall

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5. Front wall:



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Use laser range finder from door opening.



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5. Front wall:



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Normal block and air vent

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5. Front wall:



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Short distance between block and vent. Wall colors are different!



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5. Front wall:



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Fake block made out of cardboard!



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5. Front wall:



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Real block concealed behind false wall.



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5. Front wall:



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1,290 lbs. Marijuana. Range finder used.



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6. Ceiling/ Roof:

- Ceiling is a certain height from floor. Blocks & vents are visible.
- Uncomfortable feeling inside container.
- Repairs to the ceiling on the inside of the container should be visible on the outside.
- Use tool to tap ceiling. Listen for hollow sound.



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Ceiling

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6. Ceiling/ Roof:



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Ceiling

One row of vent holes visible.



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6. Ceiling/ Roof:



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Ceiling

Blocks are not visible.



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7-Point Container Inspection...

6. Ceiling/ Roof:



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Ceiling

1,200 lbs. of cocaine!



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7. Floor:

- Floor should be a certain height from the ceiling
- Floor should be flat. Do not need to step up to get inside!
- Different floor heights
- Unusual repairs



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Floor

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7. Floor:



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Floor

Step up to get inside! Why?



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7. Floor:



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Floor

Sloppy repairs and welding.



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7. Floor:



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Welded steel plates/1,300 lbs. of cocaine underneath the plates!



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7. Floor:



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Floor

False compartment/ 550 lbs. of cocaine within compartment!



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Container Inspection...

17-Point Tractor & Trailer Inspection Process:

- Procedures should be in place to verify the physical integrity of the trailer structure prior to stuffing, to include the reliability of the locking mechanisms of the doors.
- Border crossing tractors & trailers should be inspected upon arrival at the domestic facility.
- A 17-point Tractor & Trailer Inspection Process is recommended for all trucks and trailers arriving from foreign.



Northern Border



Southern Border

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17-Point Tractor & Trailer Inspection

1. Bumper
2. Engine
3. Tires (truck & trailer)
4. Floor
5. Fuel Tanks
6. Cab/ Storage Compartments
7. Air Tanks
8. Drive Shafts
9. Fifth Wheel
10. Outside/ Undercarriage
11. Floor
12. Inside/ Outside Doors
13. Side Walls
14. Ceiling/ Roof
15. Front Wall
16. Refrigerated Unit
17. Exhaust



17-Point Tractor & Trailer Inspection

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Container Inspection...

Seal Verification and Inspection Process:

- After seal(s), container, tractor and trailer pass all inspections, the container/trailer doors can be opened. Seals should be kept for investigative purposes!



Verify

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Container Inspection...

Inspection of Cargo:

- A cursory inspection of cargo should be conducted when container/trailer doors are opened.
- If contraband is encountered, close container/trailer doors and contact a Supervisor. The Supervisor will contact the proper authorities and CBP.
- Overages or shortages of cargo should be documented and recorded. These records may be needed to conduct future investigations!



Verify



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