

Printer Friendly version of Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC)

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The TWIC program was established by Congress and is administered by the Transportation Security Administration. TWIC is a biometric transportation security credential consisting of a tamper-resistant Smart Card containing the worker's biometric (fingerprint template) to allow for a positive link between the card itself and the individual. The TWIC will be issued to all personnel (port facility employees, longshoremen, truck drivers, and others) requiring unescorted access to secure areas of Maritime Transportation Security Act-regulated facilities and vessels, and all mariners holding Coast Guardissued credentials.

Currently, TWIC verification will be performed during Coast Guard inspections using hand-held scanners. However, a second rulemaking will propose enhanced access control requirements, including the use of electronic readers by certain vessel and facility owners and operators. At that time, TWIC readers will be required throughout the facility and security and/or terminal automation systems must be able to handle the authentication of the TWIC and embedded data.

Dearman's RTG[™] and TAS.net[™] open-architecture terminal automation systems are designed with the flexibility to incorporate the additional security requirements imposed by the TWIC program and feature an integrated interface to TSA approved readers. We are ready!

Contact us for more information about TWIC Certified Readers.

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