

TWIC WILL BE REQUIRED FOR UNESCORTED ACCESS TO ALL MPA FACILITIES – DECEMBER 1, 2008

(Transportation Worker Identification Credential)

- **What is TWIC?**

TWIC is a common identification credential for all personnel requiring unescorted access to secure areas of MTSA-regulated facilities and vessels, and all mariners holding Coast Guard-issued credentials. **The MPA will NOT be providing escort services for non-MPA visitors. All tenants will be required to supply their own escort.** TSA will issue workers 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.

- **Who needs a TWIC?**

Company, vessel, and facility security officers and personnel responsible for security duties are required to obtain a TWIC. Individuals who need unescorted access to secure areas of ports, facilities, or vessels regulated by MTSA will need to obtain a TWIC.

- **When and where will I be able to enroll?**

Dundalk, Baltimore Enrollment Center is located at 2200 Broening Highway, Suite 220
Baltimore, MD 21224. Hours of Operation are Monday through Thursday 8 AM to 12 noon and 1 PM to 4:30 PM. To save time during enrollment, you can pre-enroll online at www.tsa.gov/twic or call 1-866-DHS-TWIC (1-866-347-8942). After pre-enrollment, an applicant must visit an Enrollment Center to complete the enrollment process and pay the enrollment fee.

What documentation is required for enrollment?

List A (Any 1 of list below)

- Unexpired U.S. Passport
- Unexpired Permanent Resident Card or Unexpired Alien Registration Receipt Card with photograph
- Unexpired Foreign Passport with one of the following:
 - I-551 Stamp;
 - Attached INS Form I-94 indicating unexpired employment authorization;
 - Unexpired Employment Authorization Document (I-766);
 - OR with one of the following Unexpired Visas: E-1, E-2, E-3, H-1B, H-1B1, L-1, O-1, TN, M-1, C-1/D
- FAST (Free and Secure Trade) Card
- Merchant Mariner Document (MMD)

List B (need two and one must be a government-issued photo ID)

- U.S. Certificate of Citizenship (N-560, 561)
- U.S. Certificate of Naturalization (N-550 or 570)
- Driver's license or ID card issued by a State or outlying possession of the United States
- Original or certified copy of birth certificate issued by a State, county, municipal authority, or outlying possession of the United States bearing an official seal
- Voter's Registration Card
- U.S. Consular Report of Birth Abroad
- U.S. Military ID or U.S. Retired Military ID
- Military Dependent's Card
- Expired U.S. Passport
- Native American Tribal Document
- U.S. Social Security Card
- U.S. Citizen Card I-197
- U.S. Military Discharge Papers DD-214
- Department of Transportation (DOT) Medical Card
- Civil Marriage Certificate
- MML (Merchant Mariner License) bearing an official raised seal, or a certified copy

● **How much will the TWIC cost?**

The TWIC will cost \$132.50 and the credential is valid for five years. Workers with current, comparable background checks (MML, HME, and FAST cardholders) may pay a reduced fee of \$105.25.

- ### ● **How do I check on the status of my TWIC?**
- To check the status of card availability and schedule a pickup appointment, visit the TWIC website at <http://twicinformation.tsa.dhs.gov> and click on the Check Card Status/Schedule Pickup link in the left margin. Pickup appointments can also be scheduled by calling the TWIC Help Desk at 1-866-DHS-TWIC once a worker has been notified that his/her card is ready for pickup.

For more information, visit the TWIC Website at www.tsa.gov/twic or call 1-866-DHS-TWIC (1-866-347-8942). Information may also be obtained by visiting the USCG Website at <http://homeport.uscg.mil> or by calling the USCG Helpdesk at 1-877-MTSA-AID (1-877-687-2243).