

**WORLDWIDE  
ALLIANCE TO  
GLOBAL  
ECONOMY**

## Join Today

Beyond the benefits associated with deploying leading edge supply chain security solutions, members report that longevity with the program yields additional, measurable business value, including:

- Brand image protection
- Entrance to the global marketplace
- Expanded marketing opportunities through access to industry-leading CTPAT members
- Heightened awareness of supply chain security for employees
- Improved internal risk management policies

Becoming a CTPAT partner is free. Companies can apply directly; no intermediaries are required to apply or work with CBP. The application process is straightforward, and is completed online. New members are certified within 90 days following an acceptable online application and review.

### Steps to CTPAT Membership

#### 1. Complete a Security Risk Assessment

Conduct and complete a security risk assessment to determine your company's security risks and mitigation strategies.

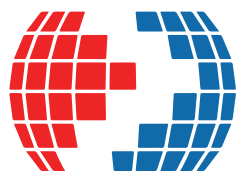
#### 2. Submit CTPAT's Basic Online Application

Submit a basic application through CTPAT's web portal system at [www.cbp.gov/ctpat](http://www.cbp.gov/ctpat).

#### 3. Complete a Supply Chain Security Profile

Complete a supply chain security profile, detailing how your company is meeting CTPAT's minimum security criteria, based on the security risk assessment completed in Step 1.

Each applicant is assigned a CTPAT Supply Chain Security Specialist to review the application and provide continuous, proactive program guidance.



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In the two decades since its inception after September 11, 2001, CTPAT has evolved far beyond its initial mission to fight terrorism within the trade ecosystem. Today, driven by a broad landscape of supply chain threats and demands and inspired by new leadership, CTPAT's mission is to form a worldwide alliance of innovative and expert partners who are dedicated to maintaining an efficient, safe, and secure global trade economy.

With CTPAT leading the efforts on behalf of the U.S. Government, this vast and varied network of collaborative partners – each of whom is a critical and valued link within the supply chain – shares best practices, chronicles lessons learned, identifies opportunities, and demonstrates a resolute commitment to solve trade-related challenges.

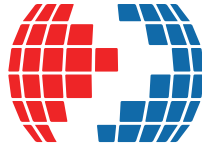
In addition to vetting trade practices and processes, CTPAT carefully cultivates its membership base, working to ensure that partners are able to develop trusted relationships that further their individual business objectives even as they contribute to the larger trade mission.

## A Global Partnership

CTPAT partners are industry leaders from both the public and private sectors, and include importers, carriers, consolidators, licensed customs brokers, and manufacturers. These partnerships enable CTPAT to leverage corporate influence beyond the regulatory reach of the U.S. Government. Eligible business sectors include:

- U.S. Importers of Record
- U.S. Exporters
- U.S./Canada Highway Carriers
- U.S./Mexico Highway Carriers
- Mexico Long Haul Highway Carriers
- Rail, Sea, and Air Carriers
- U.S. Marine Port Authority/Terminal Operators
- Mexican and Canadian Manufacturers
- Licensed U.S. Customs Brokers
- Third Party Logistics Providers
- Foreign Based Marine Port Terminal Operators
- Consolidators/NVOCC

CTPAT also cultivates the globalization of security-based industry membership programs with foreign customs administrations and other partners. CBP has eleven Mutual Recognition Arrangements (MRA) in place, with more planned.



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Operating with cooperation with other government agencies including the Transportation Security Administration (TSA), Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG), CTPAT aligns security requirements and maximizes efforts to streamline the movement of legitimate cargo.

## Alliance Support

CTPAT has evolved to provide unmatched value to trade community stakeholders through strategic global alliances and exclusive programs, as well as tools and resources to identify and mitigate security vulnerabilities.

CTPAT partners have access to the following CBP programs:

- Eligibility for the Importer Self-Assessment Program (ISA)
- Recognition by foreign Customs administrations for those who participate
- Eligibility for similar pilot programs like the FDA's Secure Supply Chain

All CTPAT partners receive the following standard program resources:

- Dedicated CTPAT Supply Chain Security Specialist
- Access to CTPAT web resources and training materials

## Tangibles Efficiencies

CTPAT partners still enjoy tangible supply chain efficiencies such as:

- Reduced CBP examinations
- Front of the line inspections
- Possible exemption from Stratified Exams
- Shorter wait times at the border
- Access to Free and Secure Trade (FAST) Lanes at land borders
- Business Resumption Priority following a natural disaster or terrorist attack

## Long-Term Benefits

Partnership with CTPAT translates to risk avoidance, communal support for a safer supply chain and a voice to communicate trade community issues, as well as the following:

- Reduced carrier wait times at land border ports of entry
- Fewer supply chain disruptions
- Improved workforce security
- More predictability in moving goods
- Ability to compete for contracts that require CTPAT membership

