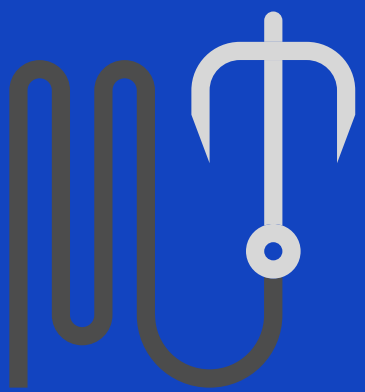


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## BOARDING



Watchkeepers at entry and exit points.



Access points. Ensure security is in place at all entry points, including; mooring ropes, access to the vessel from the sea using hooks etc.



Pass system. Cross checked against identification cards which are exchanged for a pass on entry at the gangway.



Additional protection. Ask the agent if additional protection can be arranged.



CCTV. Maintain vigilance through CCTV and alarm systems with infrared detectors, door contacts, motion sensors, etc.



Random patrols. Carried out with particular focus on unusual and isolated areas.



Locks. Access points should be locked and secured as long as cargo operations are not hampered.

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Rudder trunk. Should be checked for stowaways by using the ship's small boats.



Misinformation. Masters can dissuade potential stowaways or flush out those that may already be in hiding by sounding alarms/warnings etc.



Final checks. Stowaways often hide shortly before the vessel leaves port. An extensive search of the ship prior to sailing is imperative.

Vessel Underway. While the outbound pilot is still on board, search again, if found they can be repatriated using the pilot boat.



Crew/agent rewards. Financial rewards can be offered to crew members who discover and prevent stowaway incidents.



Maritime Security Officer. If you doubt locally supplied guards consider a short-term contract for a professional maritime security officer.



Contingency measures. Consider assigning a dedicated area for lodging stowaways and carrying handcuffs if the stowaway is a danger to him-/herself or others.