



Chemicals are vital to our economy. They are used to develop medicines that maintain our health, provide refrigeration for our food supply, manufacture fuel for our vehicles, and build the microchip that runs our smartphones. However, in the hands of a terrorist, chemicals could be used to cause a significant number of deaths or injuries. To reduce the risk of chemicals being exploited in an attack, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) administers the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) program by working with high-risk chemical facilities to ensure they have security measures in place to reduce the security risks of certain hazardous chemicals of interest (COI).

Security Preparedness Resources

The Department's Office of Infrastructure Protection (IP) has developed a suite of security preparation and preparedness programs. Previously, these resources were available only to facilities not required to comply with CFATS. DHS is now making these programs available to CFATS-covered facilities. In an effort to ensure facilities understand the range of DHS resources available, IP is contacting all CFATS-covered facilities and offering information about these programs. Participation in IP's suite of programs is strictly voluntary.

Facilities interested in gaining access to these free programs may schedule an assistance visit with an IP regional representative. This offers facilities an opportunity to review the suite of IP products and capabilities and, where appropriate, make choices to utilize them to further educate and exercise their workforce in areas that may enhance the security awareness and profile at their facilities. If you wish to discuss the IP suite of security preparation and preparedness programs available to you, speak to your chemical security inspector (CSI), or email CFATS@hq.dhs.gov.

Some of the resources include:

- **Chemical Sector Resources**
www.dhs.gov/chemical-sector-resources
- **Active Shooter Preparedness Workshops, Training, and Outreach Materials**
www.dhs.gov/active-shooter-preparedness
- **Chemical Sector Industrial Control Systems (ICS) Security Resource DVD**
Request a DVD on the ICS security awareness campaign by emailing chemicalsector@hq.dhs.gov.
- **Hometown Security**
www.dhs.gov/hometown-security
- **Office of Emergency Communications Emergency Response Support**
www.dhs.gov/oec-emergency-response-support



CFATS-covered facilities can utilize a range of DHS security preparedness resources created to support voluntary programs.

- **Homeland Security Information Network-Critical Infrastructure (HSIN-CI)**
HSIN-CI is the primary information-sharing platform for the Chemical Sector and is available for both public and private chemical sector stakeholders. Access HSIN-CI at www.dhs.gov/hsin-critical-infrastructure.
- **Cyber Security Evaluations**
DHS offers the Cyber Security Evaluation Tool (CSET) for companies interested in assessment methodology. This tool can be downloaded at www.us-cert.gov/forms/csetiso.
- **InfraGard**
A partnership between the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and members of the private sector, the InfraGard program provides a vehicle for public-private collaboration with government that expedites the timely exchange of information and promotes mutual learning opportunities relevant to critical infrastructure protection. Learn more at www.infragard.org.
- **Office for Bombing Prevention**
www.dhs.gov/obp
- **Government Emergency Telecommunications (GETS) Program**
GETS provides first responders, national security, and emergency response personnel the ability to complete calls during emergencies when the public telephone network may be congested. For more information, visit www.dhs.gov/about-gets.
- **Classroom and Web-based Courses**
Commercial Facilities Training: www.dhs.gov/commercial-facilities-training
Workplace Security Awareness: training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=IS-906
Surveillance Awareness: training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=IS-914
Theft and Diversion: training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=IS-916
Bomb Threat Management: www.dhs.gov/what-to-do-bomb-threat

CFATS Program Tools and Resources

- Request a CFATS presentation at your facility: www.dhs.gov/request-cfats-presentation
- Request a Compliance Assistance Visit: www.dhs.gov/cfats-request-compliance-assistance-visit
- The CFATS Knowledge Center is a repository of FAQs, articles, and more: csat-help.dhs.gov
- The Chemical Security Assessment Tool Help Desk provides support to chemical facility owners and operators. Call 1-866-323-2957 or email CSAT@hq.dhs.gov.

Contact Information

For more information about the CFATS program or to schedule a voluntary assistance visit to your facility, please contact CFATS@hq.dhs.gov or visit www.dhs.gov/chemicalsecurity.