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# Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards: Receiving Chemicals of Interest (COI)



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## The chemicals you are receiving may need to be reported to the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA).

To reduce the risk of more than 300 chemicals of interest (COI) being weaponized, the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency's (CISA) Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) program identifies and regulates high-risk chemical facilities to ensure appropriate security measures are in place.

Under CFATS, a chemical facility is "any establishment that possesses or plans to possess certain chemicals, at any relevant point in time ..." and can be a large company or a single individual. If in possession of a COI at or above the screening threshold quantity (STQ) and minimum concentration listed in Appendix A of the CFATS regulation, facilities must report those chemicals to CISA within 60 days regardless of how long the facility possesses COI.

### Who Is Included in the CFATS Regulation?

All facilities that come into possession of reportable amounts of COI must submit a Top-Screen survey unless the facility fall under an exclusion. A facility is excluded by statute if it is:

- A Public Water System under the Safe Drinking Water Act
- A Treatment Works under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act
- Regulated by the U.S. Coast Guard under the Maritime Transportation Security Act (MTSA)
- Regulated by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) or by a State with an NRC agreement
- Owned or operated by the Department of Defense or Energy

**Agricultural Production Facilities:** The agricultural production facility extension may apply to facilities that use COI for direct treatment or application to their crops, feed, land, livestock, or other areas of the facility. Visit [cisa.gov/publication/cfats-agricultural-production-facilities](https://cisa.gov/publication/cfats-agricultural-production-facilities) to learn more.

### How Do I Report to CISA?

**CFATS First Steps:** If a facility possesses any COI at or above the STQ and concentration listed in Appendix A, the facility has 60 days from the time the facility comes into possession to report those chemicals via an online survey called a Top-Screen. **Get started** by visiting [cisa.gov/cfats-process](https://cisa.gov/cfats-process) to learn more about how to comply with CFATS.

**Review Appendix A**, which includes chemicals, security issues, STQs, and concentrations (see [cisa.gov/publication/cfats-coi-list](https://cisa.gov/publication/cfats-coi-list)).

**Learn more about Chemical-terrorism Vulnerability Information (CVI)** and complete CVI Authorized User training to access CISA's Chemical Security Assessment Tool (CSAT) ([cisa.gov/chemical-terrorism-vulnerability-information](https://cisa.gov/chemical-terrorism-vulnerability-information)).

**Contact the Chemical Security Assessment Tool (CSAT) Help Desk** for technical assistance at 1-866-323-2957 or at [CSAT@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:CSAT@hq.dhs.gov).

**Learn more about the CFATS program** at [cisa.gov/cfats](https://cisa.gov/cfats), including the CFATS regulation, list of COI, frequently asked questions, how facilities' information is protected as CVI, and more.

To submit a confidential report to CISA regarding a facility that may not be reporting its COI, contact the **CFATS Chemical Facility Security Tip Line** at 877-394-4347 (877-FYI 4 DHS) or [CFATSTips@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:CFATSTips@hq.dhs.gov). Learn more at [cisa.gov/report-cfats-violation](https://cisa.gov/report-cfats-violation).

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