Chemical Security Preparedness Resources

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, some of these chemicals could be weaponized. To reduce the risk of chemicals being exploited in an attack, the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency's (CISA) Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) program works with high-risk chemical facilities to ensure they have security measures in place.

Security Preparedness Resources

The Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) has developed a suite of security preparation and preparedness programs. Previously, these resources were available only to facilities not required to comply with CFATS. CISA is now making these programs available to CFATS-covered facilities. In an effort to ensure facilities understand the range of CISA resources available, the agency contacted all CFATS-covered facilities and offered information about these programs. Participation in CISA's suite of programs is strictly voluntary.

Facilities interested in gaining access to these free programs may schedule an assistance visit with a CISA regional representative. This offers facilities an opportunity to review the suite of CISA 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 CISA suite of security preparation and preparedness programs available to you, speak to your chemical security inspector (CSI), or email CFATS@hq.dhs.gov.

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

Some of the resources include:

- Chemical Sector Resources
  - www.cisa.gov/chemical-sector-resources
- Active Shooter Preparedness Workshops, Training, and Outreach Materials
  - www.cisa.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.cisa.gov/hometown-security

- Office of Emergency Communications Emergency Response Support
    - www.cisa.gov/oec-emergency-response-support

- 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
    - CISA 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.cisa.gov/office-bombing-prevention-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.cisa.gov/about-gets.

- Classroom and Web-based Courses
    - Commercial Facilities Training: www.cisa.gov/commercial-facilities-training
    - Workplace Security Awareness: https://training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=IS-906
    - Surveillance Awareness: https://training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=IS-914
    - Theft and Diversion: https://training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=IS-916
    - Bomb Threat Management: www.cisa.gov/what-to-do-bomb-threat

Tools and Resources for the CFATS Program

- CFATS Resources: www.cisa.gov/cfats-resources
- CISA Chemical Security: www.cisa.gov/chemical-security
- Request a CFATS presentation: www.cisa.gov/request-cfats-presentation
- Request a Compliance Assistance Visit: www.cisa.gov/request-compliance-assistance-visit
- CFATS Knowledge Center: csat-help.dhs.gov/
- Chemical Security Assessment Tool (CSAT) Help Desk (technical assistance): Call 1-866-323-2957 or email CSAT@hq.dhs.gov

Contact Information

For questions or concerns, please email CFATS@hq.dhs.gov or visit www.cisa.gov/cfats.