

**MTSA Regulations found at 33 CFR Subchapter H  
Part 105.**

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**Q.** Will foreign barges greater than 100 gross tons be required to comply with the Maritime Transportation Security Act?

**Ans.** A foreign-flagged cargo barge greater than 100 gross tons would be required to have an approved security plan prior to operating in the U.S. unless there is a reciprocal agreement between the U.S. and the flag state.

**Note:** For further guidance, a facility owner/operator should contact their local Captain of the Port (COTP/FMSC).