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SUBJECT: Obtaining Temporary Access to CBP Regulated Areas at IAD

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U. S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), Port of Washington D.C. (Dulles) by issuance of this Public Bulletin, hereby reiterates and reinforces within the airport community at Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD) the proper definition and conditions of requesting and receiving temporary access to CBP regulated areas at IAD. This guidance is issued in response to the increasing number of unauthorized individuals and undocumented workers present in CBP regulated areas at IAD.

CBP Regulated Areas/Customs Security Area: (19 CFR Section 122.181)

- Located at the International Arrivals Building (IAB) and Midfield (C Concourse) but also includes areas at other terminal(s) that result in processing passengers, crew, their baggage and effects arriving from, or departing to, a foreign country, as well as the aircraft deplaning and all ramp areas therein.
- International cargo facilities located at IAD
- Other restricted areas designated by the Port Director.

Access and Escort Authority to CBP Regulated Areas:

- Access to and physical presence in CBP regulated areas requires CBP approval in the form of a CBP seal embedded in the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority (MWAA) ID.
- MWAA cannot authorize access to CBP regulated areas.
- MWAA escort approval authority does not extend into CBP regulated areas.
- No one has escort authority to CBP areas without CBP notification and approval.

Temporary Access to CBP Regulated Areas:

- Temporary access to CBP regulated areas must be coordinated with the CBP Seals Office at least three (3) days (Business days) in advance of the access date.
- Above coordination requires notification and justification to the CBP Badge Office through the submission of the visitor's biographical information.
- CBP will notify the requesting party of its decision.

Any questions may be addressed to the CBP Security Seals Enforcement Team at 703-661-2840/2815 (M-F), or by email to [DULLESAPPLICANTS@cbp.dhs.gov](mailto:DULLESAPPLICANTS@cbp.dhs.gov).

  
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