

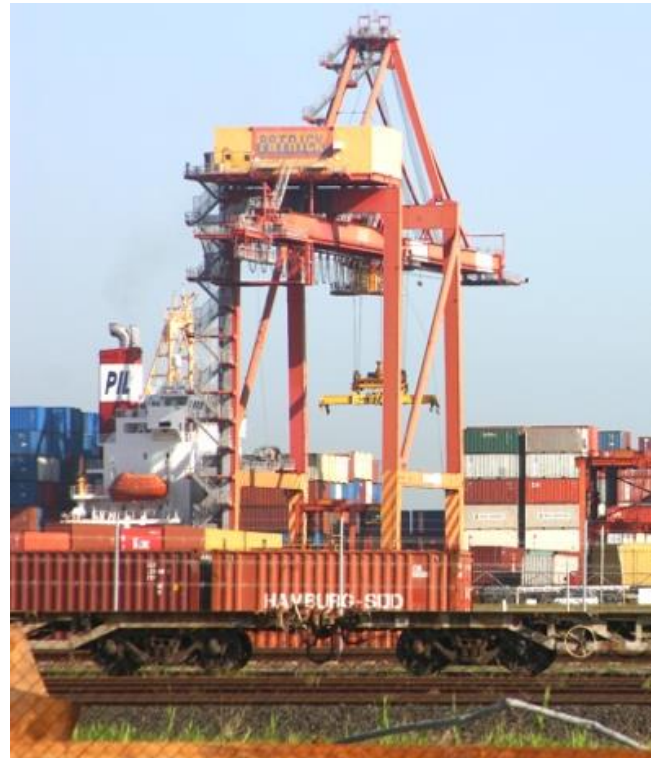
Border Watch

Help protect Australia's border

The Department of Home Affairs and the Australian Border Force play a vital role in protecting Australia's borders from the entry and exit of illegal and harmful goods and unauthorised people.

Border Watch is the Department's program that receives information about suspicious activities. It relies on the knowledge of industry and the community.

Working in partnership with industry and the community, Border Watch aims to prevent drug trafficking, wildlife and flora smuggling, money laundering and illegal importation or exportation of prohibited items such as weapons and chemicals.



You can help protect Australia's borders. You know your environment, and what looks or sounds suspicious. If it doesn't seem right, report it.

Report any suspicious border activities to Border Watch on **1800 06 1800** (within Australia), +61 2 6246 1325 (outside Australia or via satellite phone), or complete a report online at **australia.gov.au/borderwatch**.

Reporting lines are open 24 hours a day. Your information could lead to a significant detection.

How Border Watch works

As industry members working as part of Australia's trading community, you and your staff know what looks and sounds unusual.

You can use your commercial expertise to identify suspicious behaviour and assist Australian Border Force to protect Australia's border.

Use the opportunity of becoming a Border Watch member to review your security arrangements and minimise the chance of your business becoming an unwitting participant in any illegal trade.

Border Watch members know their local environments. Members range from large, multi-national corporations to community organisations to individuals—located in capital cities, regional centres and remote areas, and in environments as varied as transport and cargo logistics, caravan parks and fishing clubs.

The benefits of membership

Border Watch members are acknowledged by Australian Border Force as partners in the fight against illegal activities. This establishes a good reputation for the industry, which ultimately benefits members, business clients and the community.

Border Watch members receive briefings on indicators of suspicious behaviour, and receive regular newsletters from Australian Border Force highlighting new and emerging risks to business.

Confidentiality

Australian Border Force is committed to protecting the privacy of members and their staff. This is a vital part of the partnership between Border Watch and its members. You have the option of referring information anonymously. If you choose to leave your details, they will not be disseminated any further unless required by law.

How to join

If you are interested in becoming a Border Watch member, find out more about the Border Watch program and join at australia.gov.au/borderwatch.