

Do you raise fish?

Do you use formalin, hydrogen peroxide, potassium permanganate, or other chemicals?

**You may be subject to
Department of Homeland Security
Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards**

What is CFATS? Responsibility for chemical security is shared among federal, state, and local governments, as well as the private sector. Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) were developed by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to allow for cooperative monitoring and control of various chemicals that present one or more security issues if released, stolen or diverted, or could be used for purposes of sabotage or intentional contamination.

Who is subject to CFATS? The Department of Homeland Security has issued CFATS for any facility that manufactures, uses, stores, or distributes certain chemicals at or above a specified quantity. **This includes aquaculture facilities that use or store these chemicals of interest.**

What are the chemicals of interest? DHS has identified more than 200 chemicals of interest (http://www.dhs.gov/xlibrary/assets/chemsec_appendixa-chemicalofinterestlist.pdf). Chemical use patterns will vary, and each facility is responsible for evaluating their own chemical use patterns and determining which are subject to CFATS. However, the chemicals of interest most likely to be found at aquaculture facilities are:

Formalin/Formaldehyde Solution--subject to CFATS if $\geq 1\%$ solution and $\geq 15,000$ lbs. stored
Hydrogen Peroxide—subject to CFATS if $\geq 35\%$ solution and ≥ 400 lbs. stored
Potassium Permanganate—subject to CFATS if commercial grade and ≥ 400 lbs. stored

What should I do if I think my facility is subject to CFATS? If you use or store any of the chemicals of interest in volumes above the CFATS thresholds, you must register to access the Chemical Security Assessment Tool (http://www.dhs.gov/files/programs/gc_1169501486197.shtm). Once you are registered, complete a Top-Screen preliminary assessment to determine risks at your facility. Depending on the level of risk associated with your facility's chemical use patterns, you may be required to complete a Security Vulnerability Assessment and you may need to develop a Site Security Plan. These added steps are only necessary for those facilities determined to be high-risk by DHS.

You may already be doing everything necessary to prevent misuse of chemicals at your facility, but it is your responsibility to be sure and report what you are doing.

Don't let your chemicals be their next weapon!

For More Information:

Contact the CFATS help desk at CSAT@DHS.GOV

Call 1-866-323-2957

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