



Transportation
Security
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MEMORANDUM

To: Passenger Railroad Carriers and Rail Transit Systems

Date: May 04, 2017

Re: 49 CFR 1580.201

In accordance with 49 CFR 1580.201, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) hereby issues a revised version of the Rail Security Coordinator Reporting Guidance. The Rail Security Coordinator Designation Guidance replaces the Rail Security Coordinator Reporting Guidance.

The revised guidance differs from the original guidance in the following areas:

- Change in title terminology from “reporting” to “**designation**”

If you have questions, please contact a Mass Transit Representative at TSA.SecCoord@dhs.gov.

Enclosures:

Rail Security Coordinator Designation Guidance
(For Passenger Railroad Carriers and Rail Transit Systems)



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Pursuant to 49 CFR 1580.201, covered entities are required to designate and report to the Transportation Security Administration (TSA), a Rail Security Coordinator (RSC) and at least one Alternate RSC to be available to TSA on a 24-hour per day basis. The RSC and Alternate RSC will serve as the primary contact for receipt of intelligence information and other security-related activities.

Covered entities consist of the following:

- Each passenger railroad carrier, including each carrier operating light rail or heavy rail transit service on track that is part of the general railroad system of transportation, each carrier operating or providing intercity passenger train service or commuter or other short-haul railroad passenger service in a metropolitan or suburban area (as described by 49 U.S.C. 20102), and each public authority operating passenger train service;
- Each passenger railroad carrier hosting an operation described in the paragraph above;
- Each operator of a rail transit system that is not operating on track that is part of the general railroad system of transportation, including heavy rail transit, light rail transit, automated guideway, cable car, inclined plane, funicular, and monorail systems;
- Each operator of private cars, including business/office cars and circus trains, on or connected to the general railroad system of transportation, when notified by TSA, in writing, that a security threat exists concerning that operation; and
- Each tourist, scenic, historic, or excursion operation, whether on or off the general railroad system of transportation, when notified by TSA in writing that a security threat exists concerning that operation.

Covered entities can notify TSA of their rail security coordinator(s) in one of two ways.

1) RSC information can be e-mailed to TSA at TSA.SecCoord@dhs.gov and include the following information:

- For each RSC and alternate RSC:
 - Full name
 - Title
 - Mailing address
 - Name of railroad, system, or company for which the RSC is responsible, including address information
 - Phone numbers (primary office, mobile, 24 hour contact, and fax if applicable)
 - E-mail addresses

2) The RSC information can also be submitted to TSA via postal mail by sending a letter to:

Transportation Security Administration
Office of Security Policy and Industry Engagement
Surface Division, TSA-28
(MTPR RSC Update)
601 South 12th Street
Arlington, VA 20598-6028

Pursuant to 49 CFR 1580.201, covered entities are required to notify TSA within seven (7) calendar days when any of the above RSC information changes. Changes can be sent to TSA via TSA.SecCoord@dhs.gov.

See 49 CFR 1580.201 for detailed information

Example RSC Submission via Email

From: Joe Smith [JSmith@GothamTransitAgency.com]

Sent: Wednesday, November 26, 2008 9:30AM

To: TSA.SecCoord

[TSA.SecCoord@dhs.gov]

Subject: RSC Information for Gotham Transit Agency

Rail Security Coordinator

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Alternate RSC

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24 Hour Contact Phone (123) 456-7098

This number calls into the Operations Control Room and is monitored 24/7.