



That's right - if you access a secure area of a port or vessel as part of your job, chances are you will need a Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC), a biometric card that ensures only vetted workers can enter without an escort.

# Keep on Truckin' Apply for Your TWIC™ Today

## Do You Access Secure Areas of a Port or Vessel As Part of Your Job?

- **Enroll Now!** You'll need your TWIC soon. The U.S. Coast Guard will begin enforcing the use of TWIC as early as October for certain ports, and will continue to phase in compliance nationwide through April of next year. Check out [www.tsa.gov/twic](http://www.tsa.gov/twic) and click on "When Do I Need My TWIC?" to see when you'll need yours.
- **What Is It?** A TWIC is a biometric card that ensures only vetted people have unescorted access to secure areas of a Maritime Transportation Security Act (MTSA)-regulated facility or vessel.
- **TWIC Enrollment** - It's easy to enroll! Visit [www.tsa.gov/twic](http://www.tsa.gov/twic) to use our easy, online pre-enrollment and to schedule an appointment for your in-person visit to a nearby enrollment center – or call 1-866-DHS-TWIC. You can also just walk in.
- **Enrollment Center** - When you visit the enrollment center, you will need to bring documentation to verify your identity and immigration status (as required), get photographed, submit your fingerprints, and pay for the card. Your application is securely sent to the government for an eligibility assessment.
- **Card Pickup** - We'll notify you – by e-mail or phone – when your TWIC is ready a few weeks after enrollment. Make an appointment via the Web site or by phone, or just stop by the enrollment center where you originally applied. Once your identity is verified, we'll activate your card and you will be eligible to access secure areas.

## Where Can You Go To Get Your TWIC?

Visit [www.tsa.gov/twic](http://www.tsa.gov/twic) and click "Site addresses, hours of operation, and directions" – or call 1-866-DHS-TWIC.

**Cost:** A TWIC costs \$132.50 and is good for five years. Truckers with a valid Hazardous Materials Endorsement (HME) issued after May 31, 2005 or a valid Free and Secure Trade (FAST) card may pay a reduced fee of \$105.25 and their TWIC will be good until that credential expires.

## Remember:

Individuals who fail to obtain a TWIC by the compliance date will be ineligible for unescorted access to facilities and vessels.



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