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Private Sector Advisory

Ammonium Nitrate- and Urea-Based Fertilizers

These products, the same used to make your fields green, can also be used as bomb-making materials. The U.S. Government is asking facility owners and operators that use these products to implement security best practices and to report suspicious activity.

Security Best Practices

- ✓ Prevent unauthorized persons from accessing storage locations
- ✓ Require access by visitors, service subcontractors, and third-party transporters to be approved by management
- ✓ Develop, maintain, regularly check, and update an inventory of fertilizer on-hand
- ✓ Limit quantities on-hand to a minimum
- ✓ Encourage regular inspections in storage areas
- ✓ Train employees to recognize signs of tampering and other suspicious activity
- ✓ Report to management and local law enforcement:
 - Evidence of tampering
 - Theft or unexplained loss
 - Other suspicious activity



Other Resources

All available on the DHS OBP TRIPwire website: <https://tripwire.dhs.gov>

- ATF - Fertilizer Institute Ammonium Nitrate Security Bulletin
- Safety and Security Guidelines for the Storage and Transportation of Fertilizer Grade Ammonium Nitrate
- FBI Potential Indicators of Terrorist Activities Related to Agricultural Industry
- NETF / NCTC Ammonium Nitrate Familiarization Guide

Be aware. Your efforts make a difference.

Report Suspicious Activity

To report suspicious activity, call 9-1-1 or contact local law enforcement.

Suspicious activity reports (SARs) will be forwarded to the appropriate fusion center and FBI Joint Terrorism Task Force for further action.