

7 Point Container Inspection Checklist



**Strengthening the
Customs-Trade
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Date: _____

Seal #: _____

Supplier: _____

Inspected by: _____

Facility: _____

Is seal a High Security Seal? Yes _____ No _____

Container #: _____

Is seal affixed properly? Yes _____ No _____

Inspection Point	Condition: Indicate good or bad: add comments as needed
1. Outside/Undercarriage	
2. Inside & outside doors	
3. Right side	
4. Left side	
5. Front wall	
6. Ceiling/roof	
7. Inside floor	
Container reviewed by: Date/time of review:	
Seal reviewed by: Date/time of review:	

7 Point Container Inspection Instructions

1. Outside/Undercarriage

- a) Inspect prior to entering facility
- b) Support beams should be visible

2. Inside/Outside Doors

- a. Make sure secure and reliable locking mechanisms are attached to the container
- b. Be on the lookout for different colored bonding material
- c. Be on the lookout for loose bolts
- d. Be on the lookout for plates and repairs. Solid plates should not cover standard container cavities

3. Right Side

- a. Look for unusual repairs to structural beams
- b. Repairs to walls on the inside must be visible on the outside
- c. Use tool to tap side walls. Listen and feel for hollow sound

4. Left Side

- a. Look for unusual repairs to structural beams
- b. Repairs to walls on the inside must be visible on the outside
- c. Use tool to tap side walls. Listen and feel for hollow sound

5. Front Wall

- a. Check to see if blocks and vents are visible
- b. Use tool to tap front wall. Listen and feel for hollow sound
- c. Use a range finder, measuring tape, or string to determine the length of the interior of the container is correct

6. Ceiling/Roof

- a. Check to make sure ceiling height from floor is accurate
- b. Blocks and vents should be visible
- c. Repairs to the ceiling on the inside of the container should be visible on the outside
- d. Use tool to tap ceiling. Listen and feel for hollow sound
- e. Determine if there is an uncomfortable feeling inside the container. If so, the interior ceiling height may be incorrect

7. Floor (Inside)

- a. Check to make sure the floor is the correct height from the ceiling
- b. Make sure the floor is flat. Should not need to step up to get inside
- c. Make sure the floor is uniform height
- d. Be on the lookout for unusual repairs