

NAVCG 2724  
U. S. COAST GUARD  
Aug. 1943

CAPTAIN OF THE PORT  
REPORT ON  
CONTINUOUS PROTECTION OF VESSELS IN PORT

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Ship's Name **S/S JOHN D. WHIDDEN** Nationality **American**  
Date of inspection **6 Aug. 1944** Time **1730**  
Describe cargo if combustible .....  
Deck officer in charge Name **Roy M. Gane (master)**  
Address **Galveston, Texas**  
Engine Room officer in charge Name **Andrew Gaisbaker**  
Address **P.O. Box # 636A Houston, Texas**

GUARDS

Gangway guard was stationed: On Board **Yes** At Dock ..... Neither .....  
Was gangway guard alert? Yes **Yes** No .....  
Was roving guard alert? Yes ..... No .....  
Were fire guards present during "hot work"? Yes **Yes** No .....  
Were other established precautions taken? Yes **Yes** No .....  
In working combustible cargo other than inflammable, was cargo guard  
stationed in ship's hold? Yes ..... No .....  
Coast Guard explosives loading detail : Number officers ..... Men .....  
Name of guarding agency employed **Sp. Deputy Sheriffs**  
Number of COTP guards **One** Position assigned **Gangway**  
Number of Vol. P. S. Guards **None** Position assigned .....

Are signs posted  
Have signs

MANNING

Liscense personnel actually on duty and alert:

Deck Yes .. **Yes** ..... No .....

Engine Room Yes .. **Yes** ..... No .....

Number of crew members available for duty .. **Two for each** .....

BOARDING REQUIREMENTS

Coast Guard Identification Card ..... Yes .. **Yes** ..... No .....

Pass or evidence thereof ..... Yes .. **Yes** ..... No .....

Showing of legitimate reason ..... Yes .. **Yes** ..... No .....

MOBILITY

Is ship's jacket gear engaged? Yes ..... No .. **No** .....

Is fire pump available for immediate use? Yes .. **Yes** ..... No .....

Vessel is with ..... ~~without~~ ..... own electric power.

MOORING AND TOWING LINES

Are axes conveniently available? ..... Fore ~~Yes~~ .. Aft **Yes** .....

Are emergency towing lines available? Fore **Yes**, Aft **Yes** .....

Are towing lines rigged for use by tug? Yes .. ~~Yes~~ ... No .....

LIGHTING

During hours of darkness the following areas are lighted (Answer Yes or No):

Main Deck **Yes** ... Offshore side .... **Yes** .. Over the Stern .. **Yes** Alleyways .... **Yes**

Deck of barges and top of house lighters .. **No. Barges Worked**

SMOKING

Are signs posted designating smoking areas? Yes **Yes**... No .....

Have adequate "No Smoking" signs been posted? Yes **Yes**... No .....

COMMUNICATION

Do watchmen and officers in charge know location of:

Fire apparatus Yes **Yes**... No .....

Fire alarm boxes Yes **Yes**... No .....

Telephones Yes **Yes**... No .....

GENERAL

Are licensed personnel alert? ..... **Yes**.....

Are adequate hoses available? ..... **Yes**.....

Is inflammable rubbish on board? .... **No**.....

Is the emergency fuel pump shut-off in working order? .... **Yes**.....

Is galley clean and free of combustibles? ... **Yes**.....

Any evidence of "makeshift" electric wiring?.... **No**.....

Has oil or grease been found in bilges? ..... **No**.....

Are general port security posters prominently displayed on board? .. **Yes**..

Have foreign language posters been distributed? ..... **Yes**..

DISTRIBUTION:

Captain of the Port  
 Captain of the Port of Destination  
 District Coast Guard Intelligence Office

NOTE: Make a brief summary if inspection on the reverse side noting deficiencies and recommendations.