



**U.S. Customs and
Border Protection**

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Directors, Field Operations
Director, Preclearance Operations
Office of Field Operations

Director, Field Operations Academy
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

FROM: Executive Director
Admissibility and Passenger Programs

SUBJECT: Creating an Abscondee/Deserter (b) (7)(E)

This memorandum is to inform officers of the new requirement to (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E) in the sea environment. This requirement will supersede the Inspectors Field Manual (IFM), Chapter 23.7 Deserters and Abscondees instructions. The IFM instructs U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers at seaports of entry to (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E) is no longer utilized by CBP (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E).

A (b) (7)(E) should be created by an officer at a port of entry in a timely manner. CBP officers at seaports of entry must (b) (7)(E) The (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E) should be clear, concise, and accurate. An officer at a port of entry is also required to create a record of the incident in the (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E).

Please ensure this memorandum is disseminated to personnel within your area of responsibility. Any questions regarding the requirement outlined above should be directed to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Director, Enforcement Programs, Admissibility and Passenger Programs, at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

Attachment

23.7 Deserters and Abscondees.

(a) An "abscondee" is a crewmember that has been refused a landing permit and ordered detained on board, and who departs the vessel without permission.

(b) A "deserter" is a crewmember who has been granted D-1 or D-2 status and a landing permit, and who does not depart when required.

(c) Immediately upon being notified that a crewman has deserted or absconded, (b) (7)(E)

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(b) (7)(E) at the port where the desertion took place. (b) (7)(E)

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