



# Awareness TAPA and Asset Protection PolicyStandard 2020

# What is TAPA?

The Transported Asset Protection Association (TAPA) is a unique forum that brings together global producers, logistics service providers, express couriers, police and security forces, government agencies and other *stakeholders* with the common goal of reducing losses in the chains of all international logistics providers. TAPA's *membership* and the application of its security standards across Europe, the Middle East, Africa, the Americas and Asia are now a requirement for many producers. The more than 1,200 members include many of the world's leading manufacturing companies as well as their transport and logistics service providers, who together have a combined turnover of more than \$900 billion.

## Why TAPA?

Official data from the European Union shows that the theft of high-value and high-risk products from European supply chains adds €8.2 billion a year to business costs. Threats from organised crime are increasing significantly and are manifesting themselves in an increasingly violent manner. It is therefore necessary for companies to equip themselves especially in the area of prevention.

Crime and irregularity data show that companies that have implemented TAPA standards have tangibly reduced the loss of goods as a result of criminal attacks.

## What involves being a member of TAPA?

The Security Requirements set out by the Association are recognised worldwide as industry standards to be followed for the security of warehouses, logistics centres as well as for the security of goods transport. In particular, TAPA defines and certifies, by way of example, the following areas and processes:

- Protection and monitoring of company facilities
- Access control methods
- Vehicle protection and monitoring systems
- Training of employees and drivers
- Communication, information and sharing of security incidents

#### Who is involved in TAPA arrangements?





All the different corporate functions are called upon to increase confidentiality and compliance with the criteria dictated by TAPA by verifying, for their individual roles, compliance with the rules.

The Security Department, in conjunction with all other operational and non-operational departments, will be required to carry out internal audits in order to certify compliance with procedures.

# What changes with TAPA?

Tapa's standards require the respect and observance of the provisions concerning the protection of the company's patrimony as well as the *assets* relevant to our core business.

All activities carried out by the Alha Group are therefore constantly controlled and monitored at all stages, according to processes determined through methodologies that have as their priority compliance with the highest security standards.

By way of example, all flows of goods in and out of our premises, transport and the behaviour of all the group's employees will henceforth be audited by auditors who will verify the soundness of our facilities and the reliability and traceability of each individual procedure.

## Which are the TAPA certifications?

Certification	site
FSR: facility security requirements	Allha Airport MXP
In- and off-airport warehousing certification that integrates the highest standards	Alha Airport FCO
for the protection of warehousing and corporate assets; on the three TAPA levels	Alha QPR
(A,B and C). Alha has achieved the highest level (level A).	Alha SWK
<b>TSR</b> : <i>truck security requirements</i> Certification for surface transport management and on-board security specifications; TAPA provides a single management system within which vehicles with three different security levels (from the highest level 1 to level 3) can be used	Alha Spa

A company can implement TAPA standards in the following ways:

- 1. A certification process very similar to the ISO standards, i.e. by means of an audit conducted by a third party (international audit body IAB) formally accredited by TAPA itself; the certification process is valid for achieving FSR levels A-B
- 2. In order to facilitate the deployment of the standards, TAPA has made provision for the FSR-C level to be recognised by means of **self-audit** by an internal function of the company provided that it has passed the TAPA examination of the standard.
- 3. As for the previous point, also for the TSR standard TAPA has foreseen that a company that intends to operate as exclusive provider for TSR certified companies can be recognised as TAPA Transport Security Provided (TTSP) by means of the implementation of the security devices on the vehicles only (delegating the application of the management system to the TSR certified company) through an audit by an IAB.





4. TAPA-certified companies (with the exception of TTSP companies) may **qualify** their subcontractors by means of audits and inspections.

#### Security Policy

**Alha Group**, in planning and carrying out its activities as a Cargo Handler, considers the promotion and sharing of its safety policy as an essential element not only for the compliance with the mandatory rules on the subject (first of all the National Safety Programme published by ENAC) but also to ensure the safeguard and protection of all company assets owned by Alha and its customers.

In relation to the growing importance that these instances are assuming also in the economic and industrial world, Alha's Corporate Management considers it necessary to promote, within its own management system, a Security Policy capable of integrating the three main reference guidelines:

- Aviation Security
- Custom Security
- Asset protection Security

Alha Group is committed to operating in line with the following principles:

- Sharing Security Policy guidelines with all personnel (awareness)
- Application of the company's code of ethics
- Qualification of its service providers, first of all handling service companies and transport subcontractors
- Integration of security procedures into the corporate management system
- Monitoring of events and CAPA approach in response to them
- Full control and maintenance of its security equipment