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Following the United States Supreme Court decision, the New Jersey State Police (NJSP) was mandated under state law, title 53:2-9b(1), to replace the Waterfront Commission of New York & New Jersey as the regulator of the shipping workforce at the Port of New Jersey. The NJSP Port Security Section is now a multi-faceted component of the Division overseeing operations and activity impacting the Port of New Jersey, the second busiest Port in the United States.



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**1st largest Port on the U.S. east coast**

**2nd largest Port in the U.S.**

**23rd largest Port in the World**

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## Vision

For over a century, the Division of the New Jersey State Police (NJSP) has investigated crimes, provided regulatory oversight, and collected intelligence to protect the citizens of New Jersey. As threats evolve, so have our strategies. Our newest mandate: to provide regulation and security within the Port of New York & New Jersey within this state, will present unique challenges. As we meet these challenges, the NJSP will utilize proven systems and capabilities to ensure that the Port's industry and workforce have safety, security, and confidence in continuing their mission which will help ensure economic prosperity.

## Mission Statement

The NJSP Port Security Section's mission is to prioritize the Port's most valuable resource, the workforce. We will strive to ensure port prosperity and efficiencies. Identifying criminal activity and actors will be achieved through our unique authorities, far-reaching capabilities, and enduring partnerships, which have been built for more than 100 years.

***Our Promise – fairness, inclusion, and competence in completing our mandate.***

We recognize that we will encounter unique and novel employment, hiring, and organized crime challenges. We will always treat all we encounter with dignity and respect and adhere to the U.S. Constitution, applicable laws, regulations, policies, and the NJSP's Core Values of Honor, Duty, & Fidelity.

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