



## TWIC Enrollment to Begin in November

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) announced this past January that the Transportation Workers Identification Card (TWIC) program would begin enrollment in late 2007.

TWIC was established by Congress through the Maritime Transportation Security Act as a federally mandated program that will require background checks for any person seeking entry onto any US port facility. After several months of finalizing details of the enrollment processes, we recently received confirmation that Savannah will be the first port under MCO's operating region to begin the enrollment process with plans to include Charleston, Wilmington, Brunswick, Jacksonville and Norfolk by no later than March 2008. The Savannah enrollment center will open on November 15th and will be open Monday through Friday from 8am until 5pm.

The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) estimates that over 750,000 port workers and trucking professionals will be required to go through the screening process nationwide.

TSA is allowing TWIC applicants to pre-enroll via their website or toll free call center. By pre-enrolling you will save a lot of time by receiving an appointment at the enrollment center and avoid waiting in lengthy lines.

After pre-enrolling, applicants will either receive an email or phone call with a specific appointment time to go to the enrollment centers.

Once at the enrollment center, the applicant will need to provide appropriate documentation to verify their identity (please see terminal manager or contact TSA to view required documentation). After verifying identity, applicants will be fingerprinted, photographed and payment will be collected.

The cost of the TWIC card is \$137.25 and is good for 5 years. Drivers with Hazmat endorsements will pay \$105.25. Payment must be credit/debit card, money order or certified check. Cash or personal checks will not be accepted.

In an effort to assist MCO's employees and independent contractors through the process, we encourage each individual to pre-enroll at your home terminal by meeting with your terminal manager. He/she will help you log on to the TSA website to pre-enroll or assist you in contacting the call center. Each terminal manager has been furnished detailed information and steps on the enrollment process and will be glad to assist in any way possible.

## Tips for TWIC Pre-Enrollment

Pre-enroll and information at [www.tsa.gov/twic](http://www.tsa.gov/twic) or call 1-866-DHS-TWIC

Information Required at Pre-enrollment include:

- Name, DOB, Address, Basic Contact Information
- Employer Information
- Current and Previous Mailing Addresses
- Height, Weight Hair and Eye Color
- City, State and County of Birth
- CDL and State Application of any Hazmat Endorsements
- Alien Registration Number (If Applicable)
- Passport (Optional)
- Social Security Number (Optional)

## A Safety Message from Bill: Twist-Locks



We have just completed a swing through of our Savannah location. Several drivers and owner operators had noticed, and brought to my attention, while they were picking up containers in Brunswick, GA that

some of the containers had only **ONE** twist-lock holding the container to the chassis. This is an extremely dangerous situation and can cause you to turn over or lose your container on the highway or a ramp.

Please make sure as part of your pre-trip inspection you are checking your **Twist-Locks**.

### Attention

Savannah Terminal

TWIC Meeting/Q&A

Saturday, Nov 17th

1 PM

(Safety Mtg to follow)

Perkins Pancake House

### Welcome Aboard!

#### Drivers:

- Eric Turner - CHS
- Ronald Burrell - WIL
- Ed McDonough - WIL
- Marvin Graham - CHS
- Stephen Cain - BRU
- Ricky Marvin - CHS
- Leroy Head, Jr. - CHS
- Bruce Johnson - BRU
- James Shaw - SAV
- Bill Bozeman - BRU
- Robert Guerra - SAV

#### Lease Drivers:

- Robert Brown
- Stephen Ellis
- James Lightsey
- Franklin Randolph
- Hoyt Rollins



**SAFETY MEETINGS**

**SCHEDULES:**

**SAVANNAH, GA— NOV 17TH**  
1 PM PERKINS PANCAKE HOUSE

**BRUNSWICK, GA—**  
**DEC 10TH/DEC 11TH**

6:30 PM— MILL HOUSE

**CHARLESTON, SC—**  
**DEC 12TH**

6 PM SMOKEYBONES

**WILMINGTON, NC— DEC 15TH**  
8AM— WILSONS

**Be Aware of Blind Spots**

It is a fact: The larger the truck, the bigger the blind spot. Most automobile drivers have never been taught how to drive safely around commercial trucks. Truck drivers must maneuver around cars. According to the American Trucking Association, car drivers initiate seventy percent of truck-related deaths.

In order to combat blind spots, both cars and truck drivers can do the following:

**Truck Drivers:**

- Ask for five inch convex mirrors or rectangular mirrors above the grill on the right side of the engine.
- Stay alert. Manage your time to avoid feeling fatigued or rushed.
- Plan your schedule to avoid congested rush-hour intersections.

- Don't tailgate. It makes drivers uneasy, which could make them act unwisely.
- Triple check mirrors before turning right. Motorists may not know that you need to swing wide left
- Signal long before changing lanes. Let drivers know your intentions.
- Don't turn too quickly or change lanes too fast.

**Car Drivers:**

- Know that commercial trucks have at least four blind spots, especially along the right side of the rig.
- According to the National Safety Council, a loaded truck going 55 miles an hour needs at least 290 feet to stop.
- Stay back far from 4-way intersections when trucks across from you or to your side need to turn.

**2007 EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION PARTIES**

**WILMINGTON, NC~**

NOV 30TH— WILSONS

**BRUNSWICK, GA~**

DEC 6TH— MUDCAT CHARLIE'S

**SAVANNAH, GA~**

DEC 7TH— THE SHELL HOUSE

**CHARLESTON, SC~**

DEC 8TH— SUN FIRE GRILLE AND BISTRO

**Driver Spotlight: Darell Young**



**Brunswick, GA ~** Darell Young started on August 23, 2006 as a driver for MCO Transport. Recently, Darell was promoted to Shift Supervisor at the mill in Brunswick. Congratulations!!

Darell resides in Brunswick, GA with his wife and four children. Before he began his career with MCO, he served in the US Army for ten years.

His hobbies include bowling, golf, and motorcycle riding.

**Celebrations!**

**October Birthdays**

- Shirley Turner October 4
- Jessie Beaver October 6
- Andy Korwatch October 11
- Debbie Kern October 15
- William Hampton October 20
- Jimmy Jordan October 20
- David Haldeman October 29
- Robert Smith October 30
- Chris Mitchell October 30
- Jack Callahan October 31

**November Birthdays**

- Lloyd Price November 3
- Nicki Bolin November 5
- Horace Devane November 5
- Steve Williams November 5
- Roger Crocker November 11
- Thomas Carlton November 12
- Tim Crews November 14
- Darell Young November 16
- Harold Frazier November 17
- Edward Folts November 18
- Harry Johnson November 21
- Howard Robinson November 22
- Marvin Graham November 23

**MCO Anniversaries— October**

- Tammy Rooks BRU 4 years
- Steve Williams CHS 3 years
- Doug Lee CHS 2 years
- Stefan Fink WIL 1 year
- Donna Hawks CHS 1 year
- Tim Crews BRU 1 year
- George Bryant CHS 1 year
- Joe Satterwhite WIL 1 year

**MCO Anniversaries— November**

- Danny McComas WIL 26 years
- Harrie Pearsall WIL 11 years
- Donald Corbett WIL 8 years
- Johnny Skipper WIL 6 years
- Shirley Turner SAV 6 years
- Charles Ahlers SAV 3 years
- Sylvia Oliver SAV 3 years
- David Ostrander WIL 3 years
- Jack Callahan SAV 1 year
- Terry Brown WIL 1 year
- Chrystie Graham WIL 1 year
- Frank Gould BRU 1 year

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If you have any suggestions, or ideas for the newsletter, we'd love to hear from you!

You can email [info@mcotransport.com](mailto:info@mcotransport.com) or call Penny Tertzagian at 800-626-3290, ext. 6015 or Debbie Kern at 800-239-0869, ext. 6017.

**Don't let personal problems ruin your holiday season. Your Employee Assistance Program is standing by to offer help 24 hours a day. Call 800-728-9444; help is free, confidential and available to all MCO employees and dependents.**