

STRENGTHENING INFRASTRUCTURE PROTECTION



WHY STRENGTHEN INFRASTRUCTURE PROTECTION?



1 Infrastructure protection is part of MHA's counter-terrorism strategy to keep Singapore safe and secure.

2 Terrorists have targeted iconic buildings, essential services and crowded places worldwide.

3 Building security measures can deter attacks and minimise damage.

Examples:



i. CCTV and access control



ii. Strengthening against blasts



iii. Vehicle security barriers

WHAT IS THE NEW INFRASTRUCTURE PROTECTION ACT?

FOR SELECTED KEY INFRASTRUCTURE

FOR OTHER BUILDINGS



SECURITY-BY-DESIGN

A process to integrate security with design, during construction or renovation

Requirement for:

- Critical infrastructure
- Large/iconic buildings



ENHANCED SECURITY POWERS

For protected areas and places

- E.g. army camps, electrical substations

No photography without owner's permission

To secure surrounding area, guards may

- Request for identification
- Direct persons to leave
- Inspect belongings for dangerous items



DIRECTIVES AND ORDERS

Directives issued by Commissioner of Infrastructure Protection

- When security measures are needed to address risk of a terrorist attack, e.g. security barriers, video surveillance

Orders issued by Minister for Home Affairs

- When emergency measures are needed to address an imminent attack, e.g. closing part of building, restricting entry