

Department	BARBADOS DEFENSE FORCE
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Mandate / Responsibilities

The Barbados Defense Force (BDF) has responsibility for the territorial defense and internal security of the island and is a participant in the process for the approval of applications for the flying of drones, the use of explosives and pyrotechnics.

It is comprised of three components: The Barbados Regiment; Barbados Coast Guard; and the Barbados Cadet Corp

Impact of Electronic Single Window (ESW)

Traders can create and submit license, permit, certificate and other form (LPCO) applications, edit previously created applications and obtain approval, all online without having to physically visit the Participating Government Agency (PGA) offices. Multiple PGAs can review applications at the same time and traders benefit from improved transparency of the process.

Interactive tools will guide traders, or those interested in trading, through the product classification process. This will reduce errors in describing commodities, account for trade agreements, provide duty rates, outline requirements and determine what LPCOs are needed, thereby improving data quality and expediting the approval process.

Under ESW, the Defence Force will have an efficient, streamlined electronic certification process, receive better quality data, be able to ask questions of traders to clarify the nature of the subject goods and benefit from the coordination of the approval process among agencies. The ESW will provide the Defence Force with a suite of customizable reports to access trade data immediately, and a data warehouse that can be used in the future to develop its own reports.

The Defence Force will also have an enhanced ability to schedule inspections and inspectors. In addition, inspectors will have the ability to release shipments onsite using mobile devices.

Web Site

<http://www.barbadosyp.com/Barbados/Government/Barbados-Defence-Force/profile>
(Barbados Yellow Pages)

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