

Security Concerns?
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Ironside Associates Ltd
Specialist Security Consultancy Services

IS YOUR BUSINESS AFFECTED BY PIRACY?

As superyachts venture further a field and travel to more exotic locations they need to be prepared in the event that a dangerous situation may arise.

Each year Superyachts migrate from the Mediterranean at the end of the summer season to seek out warm climates for their Owners and guests to enjoy. One course is to transit through the Suez Canal and travel through the Gulf of Aden to seek the delights of the Islands of the Indian Ocean or the Far East. Yacht Captains are now well aware of the current situation surrounding the Gulf of Aden and the Indian Ocean however who do they turn to for advice?

Mother ships give pirates the ability to travel great distances from the Somali coast in their hunt for prey disguised as every day fisherman however, many vessels drop their guard once through the Gulf of Aden. Don't be caught off guard call Ironside Associates for assistance in your security planning and allow us to accompany you through hostile waters to ensure you arrive safely at your destination.



Somali pirates with boarding ladder



Somali Pirates with RPG.

At Ironside Associates we have a world class pedigree in the field of Maritime Security.

We offer total security protection for the duration of your voyage through hostile areas. Many companies seek to offer a similar service however; they simply do not have the specialists or the knowledge that Ironside can offer.

Somali Pirates to date have mounted an offensive against merchant shipping, private yachts and fishing vessels off the coast of Somalia, the Gulf of Aden and the Indian Ocean. Recently they have extended their area of operations to the Southern end of the Red Sea, Bab El-Mendeab and the Gulf of Oman.

A significant number of various Navies try to keep the status quo by patrolling these areas however the pirates keep coming back again and again even attacking and in some cases hijacking vessels in the Internationally Recommended Transit Corridor (IRTC).



Watch Keeping

Ironside team member keeping a watchful eye on a passing Dhow.

Complex superyacht management relies heavily on expert security advice as well as the provision of hands-on manpower when circumstances dictate.

Owners and Captains depend on these services when sailing through hostile areas such as the Gulf of Aden, considered by the International Maritime Organisation (IMO) as a high-threat environment. With crimes of piracy on the increase, the need to minimise the risk of vessels coming under attack is paramount.

As an Associate Member of the Association of Yacht Support Services (AYSS), Ironside Associates forms part of an international network of companies who collectively supply every conceivable product and service to the superyacht world.

Low-key, dependable, and highly effective, all maritime consultants have detailed understanding of IMO legal requirements and rules of engagement when operating with arms and ammunition.

Members of Ironside merge with Yacht crews and maintain a constant watch during the passage ready to react to any hostile approach. Team members will be experts in Maritime Counter Terrorism tactics and ship boarding techniques. Additional RYA qualifications will assist with smooth Security / Crew mutual understanding and yacht etiquette.



Rules of Engagement

Strict Rules of Engagement when carrying weapons are observed by Ironside personnel.

Services carried out by Ironside Security Personal whilst deployed.

- Yacht security survey
- Security briefing to Crew
- Emergency Drills and Rehearsals
- 24 hour Watch Keeping
- Rules of Engagement

Ironside operations room whilst teams deployed will provide 24/7.

- Intelligence updates
- Co-ordination with CTF 151 / UKMTO
- Admin support



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Emergency Drills and Rehearsals

Ironside conduct a security briefing to all crew and conduct emergency drills and rehearsals prior to entering the high risk areas.

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- Piracy Protection
- On shore Close Protection
- Passerelle security in dock
- Crew Training
- Intelligence Reports
- Specialist Equipment Procurement
- Security Systems Consultancy



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