



## U.S. Customs and Border Protection

### *Interceptor Class Interim 39-Foot Midnight Express*

# FACT SHEET



The Interim 39-foot Midnight Express Interceptor vessel provides maritime interdiction capabilities for CBP's Air and Marine Operations (AMO). These vessels fill operational gaps at marine units until the next-generation Coastal Interceptor Vessel is ready to deploy.

Marine interdiction agents (MIA) operate the Midnight Express in offshore coastal waters to combat maritime smuggling and protect U.S. ports from acts of terrorism. The vessel provides agents with additional speed, maneuverability and a greater range to perform their duties and missions.

The Midnight Express 3-person (minimum) crew work together with AMO aviation assets and other federal, state and local law enforcement entities to accomplish the homeland security mission.

#### **Performance and Weights:**

- **Maximum Speed**  
60 knots (69 mph)
- **Range**  
400 nautical miles (460 miles)
- **Endurance**  
10 hours
- **Length**  
39 feet
- **Maximum Gross Weight**  
16,350 pounds

#### **Features:**

- 4 X 300 HP Mercury outboard engines
- Marine surface radar
- Automated identification system with vessel tracking capability
- Shock-mitigating seats
- State-of-the-art marine navigational suite package