Application of security seals

1. Application of security seals to 1st and 2nd Generation XBOX 360 consoles and televisions

This Appendix relates to the application of security seals on the USB ports on 1st and 2nd generation XBOX 360 consoles as well as televisions, DVD players and set-top boxes.

2. Security void stickers

2.1 A security void seal is not a sticker, but rather a specific type of security label with the following traits, namely:

2.1.1 The seal displays a notification of tampering, typically the words VOID or OPENED when attempted removal occurs

2.1.2 The seal is of a construction that tears or fragments if manipulated

2.1.3 The seal has a unique security reference number (Serial Number).

2.2 Security seals come in a number of sizes and configurations and seals can be cut to fit most applications. Image 1 displays 2 common types of security seal and Image 2 displays the seals after they have been tampered with.

Image 1: Security seals

Image 2: Security Seals following attempts to remove them
3. Application of security seals to the 1st Generation XBOX 360

3.1 When applying security seals to the 1st generation white XBOX 360, several factors need to be considered. Foremost of these factors is that the ‘faceplate’ of the XBOX 360 is removable as demonstrated by images 3 and 4.

3.2 The primary risk of the XBOX 360 is present in the USB ports of the console. The USB ports are to be secured with security seals. The below method for seal application is not to be used (Image 5):

3.3 This method is ineffective for the following reasons:

3.3.1 Prisoners can detach the faceplate and bypass the security sticker. In this example the faceplate is only secured on 1 side allowing the sticker to function as a hinge and the prisoner to access the USB ports without breaking either sticker

3.3.2 The faceplate is constructed of a porous (not smooth) plastic and as such the security sticker in the example is easily removed

3.3.3 The sticker in the example is not a security seal and as such will not display evidence of tampering

3.4 In order to secure the USB ports located on the front of the XBOX 360, the faceplate must be removed and the security seal placed on the metallic surrounds of the USB port as demonstrated by Images 6, 7 and 8.
3.5 Finally, the XBOX 360 has an additional USB Port and Ethernet (Network) Port located on the back of the console. In this case, seals can be applied directly onto the back of the console as this area is smooth. In order to properly secure the ports, the security seal must fully cover both ports and adhere to the surrounding plastic. Image 9 demonstrates the correct (Green) and incorrect (Red) application of security seals to the rear port of the XBOX 360.

4. Application of security seals to the 2nd Generation XBOX 360

4.1 The process of securing the 2nd Generation XBOX 360 is somewhat different than securing the 1st generation console. The 2nd Generation XBOX 360 can be identified by its gloss black finish and 3 USB ports on the back of the console as evident in Images 10, 11 and 12.
4.2 The 2nd Generation console does not have a detachable face plate or porous surface, as seen in Image 13. As a result, security seals can be placed directly onto the face plate and other surfaces.
4.3 The console contains 5 USB ports. These ports are located on the front of the console (2) and the rear of the console (3), as seen in Images 14 and 15. These ports must be secured with security seals.

![Image 14](image14.png) ![Image 15](image15.png)

4.4 In addition to the USB ports, the 2nd Generation XBOX 360 also has an internal hard drive for data storage. This hard drive is located in the top of the console and is removable as demonstrated in Images 16, 17 and 18.

![Image 16](image16.png) ![Image 17](image17.png)
4.5 The hard drive access port must be secured by removing the access grill and placing the security seal across the top of the hard drive and surrounds as seen in Image 15.

5. Application of security seals to televisions, DVD players and set-top boxes

5.1 As with the XBOX 360, numerous brands of televisions, DVD players and set-top boxes now feature USB ports to allow for the watching of videos and viewing of photos from a flash drive or external hard drive. Such USB ports must be secured in the same fashion as used on the XBOX 360 by covering the entire port and ensuring the sticker is properly adhered to the surrounding area.
5.2 Whilst all televisions are different and configurations may vary from model to model, USB ports are typically located in one of two positions on the television; namely the side, or in the rear centre. These locations are seen in Images 20-24.

6. Additional comments

In addition to securing the USB and hard drive ports of both generations of XBOX 360s and televisions, security seals should also be placed in a method which prevents disassembly of the console and surrounds.

7. Procedural considerations

Any prisoner found to have tampered with security seals is to have the item removed from possession and placed in storage for the remainder of their period of imprisonment. Local procedures shall address the process for inspecting the electrical items, including XBOX 360s, regularly as a part of cell searches and inspections.
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