



# SECURITAS ENABLES AN OPTIMUM SECURITY SOLUTION IN A UNIQUE PRODUCTION ENVIRONMENT.

The primary goals for Absolut Company were to ensure a high degree of employee safety and security as well as the integrity of the supply chain



The location is Åhus, southern Sweden, home to one of the country's most well-known export products - Absolut Vodka. Its status as a world-unique premium product is exclusively due to ensuring a consistent and reliable product from locally produced raw materials. State of the art security is the absolutely no.1 priority for Absolut Company.



### SECURITY SOLUTIONS:

A security solution is a tailored service provided by Securitas. This means that Securitas helps the client to design an optimised security solution, at a fixed monthly cost, based on the needs and prerequisites using market-leading technology in combination with guarding services. The solution includes the system's ongoing maintenance, updates and component replacement if necessary. Not only does this result in problem-free ownership that gives the client access to best of breed technology, but also a standardised security solution that can be provided globally.

Several Securitas clients own their own technology but choose to connect their systems to the Securitas Operation Centre. In these cases, Securitas handles the total surveillance and the client is responsible for the installation in terms of maintenance, updates and component replacement.

### REDUNDANCY:

Redundancy is a security service that guarantees continuous surveillance if the primary security system is inoperative for any reasons.

## THE OBJECTIVES

The production area covers approximately 40,000 square metres divided into several sectors comprising multiple buildings. Due to the nature of the topography, the complexity of the assignment is compounded by a combination of several critical security factors. **Food-grade production and the safety for the employees** demands the implementation and continuous monitoring of a comprehensive regulatory framework. Food production is fraught with risk, in this case a potential risk of explosion.

Employee safety is a self-evident priority for Absolut Company, whose aim as employer is to guarantee a safe and secure workplace. This necessitates continuous risk assessment in order to remedy and eliminate emerging risks.

In addition to the manufacturing process, **the raw materials are the key differentiators** of Absolut Vodka from other products in the same category. Quite simply, it is not possible to replicate the same final product anywhere else in the world.

## THE SOLUTION

**"Absolut Company is a progressive, ambitious and competent client with very high demands on security of supply. The company's internal competition analysis concluded that we at Securitas were the only security supplier with the capacity to provide what was wanted, a security system that is even better than good."**

*Patrik Ottosson, Business Manager, Securitas Sweden*

Even though the previous security solution was functional, a comprehensive update was nevertheless required in order to meet the client's ever evolving needs and preferences. As a result, Securitas replaced a large part of the existing technical installation with an open camera system, integrated with a number of intelligent video analytics. A video analytic is a software application that assists the video operator by generating events based on a set of predefined parameters.

Thermal network cameras were installed in order to ensure effective detection in varying weather and lighting

conditions. In addition, the existing physical perimeter was strengthened as well as the in-house monitoring center, staffed by specially trained security officers on site. The in-house monitoring center handles all coordination, video patrolling, local alarm monitoring and response, and remote-controlled entry and exit to and from the industrial property.

One significant difference to the previous solution is that the in-house monitoring center now provides support to the security officers who physically patrol critical areas. The video operator utilizes the cameras to monitor the patrol and can act rapidly in the unlikely event of an incident.

A zone-based access control system has been developed to prevent the risk of anyone entering or remaining within the area without authorisation, this is also connected to the local in-house monitoring center. Since the security solution is provided as a service, Securitas takes full responsibility for the functionality.

## RESULTS

***“Technological development is moving ahead very rapidly, and it is important to keep up. We have a reliable partner in Securitas, one that very much plays a part in driving this development. Securitas acts responsively to safeguard our needs and requirements, meaning that we are also part of the evolution.”***

*Anders Andersson, Security Manager Absolut Company*

Absolut Company has **experienced significant improvements** since the updated security solution. The new security system has elevated operational reliability to new heights and the general level of security has increased significantly. Securitas is proud to have provided a modern, durable and flexible system with intelligent video analytics, which has ensured a more robust security service.

Thanks to the fact that the technology now supports, enhances and streamlines the work of the security officers' important resources can be allocated to other security tasks, for example, the preventative fire protection work. In addition, the resulting redundancy has also led to a much higher level of emergency preparedness in the event of incidents. There are also other practical benefits, the option of using cameras to quickly examine the need for changing environmental conditions such as snow clearance and seasonal changes in vegetation. Previously, this was a time-consuming task that required manual and laborious visual assessment.

### OPEN CAMERA SYSTEM

An open camera system means that it is not locked to one service provider and that the user can add technology, such as sensors and external software, as well as integration to other security platforms. The user can also change service provider, giving both freedom and flexibility. A closed camera system can be described as the opposite, which means that the system is locked to one service provider.

### MANAGED BY SECURITAS:

Securitas takes full responsibility for the client's entire security installation. This means that Securitas handles the installation, maintenance, service, and replacement/renewal of components. This approach ensures that you as a client, has access to a state-of-the-art security solution fitting your security challenges.

