



Body Camera Policy Questions:

This is to help aid in the writing of department policies, and some things to consider when doing so. This is NOT meant to be an all inclusive list or a checklist, but rather some major points of concern with most departments. This is not a list telling you how to write your policies, but rather some points to consider when you are writing policies. Some more information can be found at the following websites.

<http://www.aele.org/bwc-info.html>

<http://www.justice.gov/iso/opa/resources/472014912134715246869.pdf>

<http://www.datasociety.net/pubs/dcr/PoliceBodyWornCameras.pdf>

<http://www.sfgate.com/crime/article/Hard-questions-raised-by-officers-wearing-cameras-5708345.php>

WHO:

Field officers:

Front Desk Officers:

Under Cover:

Detectives:

WHAT:

Where to wear Camera:

Camera Assignment to officers:

WHEN:

Civilian Interaction:

In Office:

Sexual Assault cases:

Child Abuse cases:

On Private Property:

Any Exceptions:

Required to tell people in an encounter:

When to end recording:

Officer Discretion:

How:

Chain of Custody:

Length of time for retention of data:

Who has access to videos:

Releasing recorded data to public:

***** Contracts with third party vendors for data storage, Department MUST have access to stored videos and all data is owned by the department, not the data vendor:**

What is back end cost to department: