

EXECUTIVE ORDER



Subject	Transport Wagon Cameras
Number	EO-24-003
Effective Date	July 22, 2024
Related to:	GO-SPT-302.13 (Body Worn Camera Program)

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

I. PURPOSE

Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) transport wagons have been equipped with interior Axon Fleet 3 cameras to record prisoner transports. Members shall ensure that all transports are recorded and footage is uploaded in accordance with [GO-SPT-302.13 \(Body Worn Camera Program\)](#) and this order.

II. PROCEDURES

A. General

1. Transport wagons are equipped with one forward-facing camera in the driver's compartment and one interior camera in each of prisoner compartments (i.e., one, two, or three depending on the configuration of the van).
2. Interior cameras capture the area visible from below the occupants' knees to above their head. All cameras contain microphones to capture audio including the forward-facing camera in the driver's compartment.
3. All cameras are wired into the onboard mobile data computer (MDC) and managed within the existing BWC [evidence.com](#) system using the Axon dashboard application.
4. Transport wagon cameras contain license plate readers (LPR) that will automatically alert the Real Time Crime Center (RTCC) of any hits. RTCC personnel shall process hits in accordance with [GO-OPS-303.09 \(License Plate Reader Program\)](#). This type of passive LPR monitoring does not require anything of the transport wagon drivers.

B. Mandatory Recording

Front and rear compartment cameras shall be activated to record all calls for service and self-dispatched assignments. This includes all transports of prisoners and members of the public pursuant to [GO-SPT-302.13](#).

C. Managing Footage

1. The Axon dashboard is available via the MDC and can be used for live viewing of cameras and as a portal for uploading videos. Transporting members shall sign in to the Axon dashboard application on the wagon’s MDC using their evidence.com credentials. The dashboard contains an on-board digital video recorder (DVR) which uploads evidence via the system router and 5G antenna. Members are required to log in and log out of the dashboard at the beginning and end of their shift.
2. Members can start and stop recording and tag videos using the dashboard. An all-device record button (on the lower right corner of the screen) may be used to active all devices simultaneously.
3. When uploading footage, members shall label and categorize **all** footage according to the procedures set forth in [GO-SPT-302.13](#).
 - a. **Members shall select the BWC category corresponding to the most serious offense.** This means that recordings shall be classified according to how they may be used as evidence based on any applicable offenses so that all footage is properly retained for investigative and prosecutorial purposes.
 - b. **Members shall label recordings with the applicable CCN.** This includes labeling and classifying recordings related to a BOLO and/or other investigative activities with the offense type and CCN of the related offense so that the recording is retained properly.
 - c. There is a priority upload option to move the upload to the top of the queue.

Amendment #	Page #	Description of Change	Effective Date of Change	Name and Title of Authorizing Member
1	1	Inlcuded information about LPR technology	7/22/2024	Maureen O’Connell, Director, Policy and Standards Branch



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