

Top 10 Things You Should Know Before You Buy Video Surveillance

1. Picture Quality

Does the surveillance footage offer enough detail and clarity to provide forensic detail (face, license plate etc...)?

2. Video Storage Capacity

Does the system offer enough storage space to store all video records for an acceptable length of time? Is the video date and time stamped in the proper format to hold up in court as evidence?

3. Amount of Cameras the system can record

Does your system limit you to a certain number of camera channels? Is it enough for future expansion?

4. Video Frame Rates

What frame rate will the video be recording at? Does it need to be recorded in real-time? What is the ideal frame rate that will give you proper footage and efficient storage requirements?

5. Open Architecture vs. Closed Architecture, Proprietary vs. Non-Proprietary

Is the system open architecture or closed architecture? What is the difference between the two and which one better fits your needs? Is the application proprietary? If so, will this result in limitations or restrictions in the future?

6. Software Updates

Does the software manufacturer update the recording software often? How quickly does the manufacturer integrate new cameras into their system?

7. Ease of Use

Is the system user friendly in that navigation, setup and the execution of tools and procedures can be done easily with minimal training and support?

8. Future Expansion Costs

Is it easy and cost effective to add cameras to the system in the future? Will you save money on future expansion costs if you choose an IP system over an analog system? What are the limits of the system you are buying?



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9. Remote Access

Does the system include functionality which enables the application to be accessed remotely from other internal and external workstations and can this be easily accomplished with minimal support from your IT department? Can you remotely access several cameras, from several sites, in one interface?

10. On-going Maintenance

What type of maintenance can you expect? Will this maintenance allow you to easily and efficiently update your software when new versions become available or in the event that your system needs to be restored or serviced?

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