

City of Chicago Business Affairs and Consumer Protection PUBLIC VEHICLE INDUSTRY NOTICE

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The City of Chicago Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection

Seeks comments on

PROPOSED SECURITY CAMERA TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR CHARTER/SIGHTSEEING VEHICLES

Notice is hereby given of Proposed Security Camera Technical Specifications for Charter/Sightseeing Vehicles.

- Comments must be in writing and be submitted via e-mail to <u>BACPPV@cityofchicago.org</u> by or on **June 5, 2017**.
- Comments e-mail subject line should state: "PROPOSED SECURITY CAMERA TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR CHARTER/SIGHTSEEING VEHICLES".

Proposed technical specifications for security camera equipment installed in a Charter/Sightseeing vehicle:

- 1. The security camera must be designed to operate using a standard 12 volt battery;
- 2. The security camera must be tamperproof and not operate with an "ON/OFF" switch;
- The security camera must clearly record images in all lighting conditions, including bright sunshine, shade, darkness, total darkness, and when strong backlighting is present;
- 4. The security camera must mark each image with the date, time, and;
- 5. The security camera must have a field of vision to capture all of the occupants of the vehicle:
- 6. The security camera must be installed so that it will not interfere with the driver's field of vision or impede the use of any of the vehicle's mirrors;
- 7. Security camera systems must be able to safeguard a minimum of 5 days (120hours) of recorded data before overwrite;

- 8. The security camera must be capable of recording images at a resolution of at least 640 x 368 pixels;
- 9. The security camera must be capable of storing as or converting to standard digital image formats such as .JPEG, .AVI and .MPEG image formats;
- 10. The camera must be recording at all times the Charter/Sightseeing is in operation and at all times passengers are on board the charter/sightseeing vehicle, and
- 11. The security camera recording must comply with all applicable Federal, State, and City laws.
- 12. Security Camera Passenger Signage All vehicles equipped with a security camera system must have a decal visible upon entering the Charter/Sightseeing vehicle notifying passengers that the vehicle is equipped with a security camera. Signage must comply with all applicable Federal, State, and City laws.
- 13. Use of Security Camera Images
 - a. The Department and the Chicago Police Department have the authority to request access to a Charter/Sightseeing vehicle and its camera equipment to download recorded images of the interior or exterior of the Charter/Sightseeing vehicle.
 - b. A Charter/Sightseeing vehicle license holder may have direct access to download recorded images of the interior or exterior of the Charter/Sightseeing they own or manage.
 - c. Licensees may not tamper with, alter or edit security camera images.
 - d. Licensees must comply with Federal, State, and City laws, specifically laws regarding the use of recorded images and privacy.
- 14. Optional Outward Facing Cameras
 - a. Charter/Sightseeing licensee may install and use optional outward facing cameras on their vehicles.
 - b. The Department or the Chicago Police Department may request and view any reports and images captured and stored by the outward facing camera.

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- ► The Municipal Code of Chicago is available at www.amlegal.com.