

Question: Can People Opt Out of Being Recorded

RPD Summary of Comments

The general attitude is that residences are sacred and those in control of a domicile should be able to opt-out of being recorded. (4 comments)

Other commentary included the desire to be made aware when data is being collected, the concern about being able to retroactively opt-out, and an understanding that any time a camera is off, it allows for questionable circumstances.

Community Comments Recorded at Meeting

- Concern that exceptions to opt out will create loop holes for the police
- There are no times the cameras should be off, except for biological breaks and when eating lunch
- Cameras should be off even at 4am, when 2 cops are sitting in a car on a very quiet night
- If dealing with victims of sexual abuse, the victim should choose not to be recorded, but only if they decide to go to the station to be interviewed
- The citizens must make the adjustment necessary to ensure the cameras can be on at all times
- In a private residence, citizens should have the right to opt out and have cameras off
- Any non suspect should be able to opt out
- Cameras should be on at all times during street interactions
- LE should inform citizen camera is on – citizen can be able to turn off – no questions – general contact
- Arrest – can't opt out
- Witnesses, anonymous informants
 - Some populations fear police so will unlikely share information if they are being filmed
- Door to door information gathering off unless reason to believe suspect is inside
- Ability to opt out after the fact
- Highest priority for opting out
 - Residence because people homes are sacred and private
 - Citizens looking to share information with law enforcement to protect anonymity.
 - Citizens in the background of a recording should opt out rights as those directly involved
- Should the same opt out rules apply outside the residence as in the residence
- When inside our homes
- If a victim of domestic violence... concern about their video being used against them in future
- A witness giving evidence
- People should have a choice... To be filmed or not to be filmed should be presented as a choice.
- What happens if there are two people being recorded and one of them wants to opt out?
- If someone is recorded while he/she is having a psychotic event, will they have the right to opt out after the fact, when they are feeling better and embarrassed by their actions?