

PROJECT IRIS

Integrated Resources for Investigation and Safety

Reducing crime in the business community is part of the City of Surrey's new Public Safety Strategy. If your business has external video cameras that record footage on your property you can contribute to public safety in Surrey!

You can help ensure safety in our public spaces by signing up for the new camera registry at www.surrey.ca/iris.

Project IRIS (Integrated Resources for Investigations and Safety) is a voluntary camera registry that records where security cameras are located in Surrey. This video camera registry is a partnership between the City of Surrey, businesses, police and the community and is part of the Public Safety Strategy.

Often evidence needed to solve a crime can be recorded by a nearby camera. If an incident occurs, City staff can view the list of registered addresses through IRIS. RCMP officers will then contact the registered camera owners to request access to recorded video footage. This helps speed up investigations instead of RCMP officers going door-to-door to request footage. Your footage could help gather evidence for an investigation.

Registering cameras located at your business on the IRIS database is completely voluntary and you can have your locations removed from the registry at any time by contacting cctvregistry@surrey.ca. Business owners and managers can register multiple camera locations for your different business properties.

Joining the camera registry does not mean you are obligated to share your footage; it simply records the location of your camera. In the event of an incident in your area, RCMP officers will contact individuals in the registry to request permission to view any recorded footage that may assist with evidence gathering.

Support public safety by registering your camera on the new IRIS registry.



VOLUNTARY
SECURE
EASY TO SIGN UP



JOIN THE CONVERSATION

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PUBLIC SAFETY STRATEGY
TAKING ACTION TOGETHER



Have A Question?

Does it matter what kind of security camera it is?

No, as long as it records video footage that can be retrieved and replayed.

My camera is live footage. Can I still sign up?

No, the registry is only for cameras that actually record video footage that can be retrieved and replayed.

What if I have more than one business location with a camera?

If you have more than one location with cameras then you can register all of these and you can even enter different contact people for each location. There is no limit to the number of business locations you can register.

Will anyone be able to access the database?

No, the registry of camera locations is confidential and managed by the City using robust security protocols. During an incident investigation, Surrey RCMP may contact an authorized City administrator to request a search for camera locations and contact information.

How often will I be contacted for this?

You will only be contacted if Surrey RCMP believes that your recorded footage may be relevant to an incident investigation.

Does this give the police access to my camera footage?

No, this only enables the Surrey RCMP to identify which camera owners have registered their CCTV camera location(s), when investigating an incident. Surrey RCMP may contact you, using the contact information you provided, to request access to review recorded video footage.

Can I unregister/withdraw at any time?

Registration with Project IRIS and continual involvement is voluntary. You can withdraw your registration at any time. Just email cctvregistry@surrey.ca and ask to be deleted.

Visit www.surrey.ca/iris to register your business's camera locations or email cctvregistry@surrey.ca for more information on the IRIS registry.