



**SURVEILLANCE CAMERA  
COMMISSIONER**

# Code of Practice

## Third Party Certification



# A guide to THIRD PARTY CERTIFICATION

This leaflet provides information on the Surveillance Camera Commissioner's third party certification process.

1. What is Third Party Certification?
  - It's a scheme that enables organisations to certify their surveillance camera systems against the Surveillance Camera Code of Practice.
  - The scheme is offered by UKAS accredited certification bodies.
2. Who is Certification for?
  - Any organisation that operates surveillance cameras within a public space
  - Any organisation that wants to evidence its compliance with the Surveillance Camera Code of Practice
3. What is in it for me?
  - You will receive a certificate of compliance
  - You will be able to use of the Surveillance Camera Commissioner's certification mark
  - You will be added to a list of certified organisations on the Commissioner's website

- It proves you are Code compliant, meet certain standards and will increase public confidence in your scheme
4. What are the different types of certification?
    - Step one – desk top certification
    - Step two – full third party audit
  5. Who are the Certification Bodies?
    - Security Systems and Alarms Inspection Board (SSAIB)
    - National Security Inspectorate (NSI)
    - IQ Verify
  6. How do I get started?
    - Complete the Commissioner’s self assessment tool
    - Decide what type of certification you want
    - Submit the self assessment tool to one of the certification bodies
    - Have all relevant documents ready for inspection, if required
  7. What documents do I need for Certification?
    - Code of Practice
    - Information sharing agreements
    - Details on the number of cameras the scheme has
    - Procedures manual
    - Privacy impact assessment (if available)
  8. Where can I go for independent advice?

Televigil Security & Compliance consultants, provide guidance and consultancy services, policy and procedures documentation and evidential media to ensure compliance with the Surveillance Camera Commissioners Code of Practice and “Code Compliant” operators’ scheme.

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