



■ BODY WORN VIDEO – (BWV)



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■ The benefits

- Largest global use of Body Worn Video within a police force; modernising the Metropolitan Police Service through technology
- Increasing the use of technology within the criminal justice system for more efficient and effective justice for victims
- Offenders are more likely to plead guilty, if they know they have been recorded; potentially speeding up the criminal justice process
- Making stop and search more accountable to communities
- Greater transparency of policing; improving the investigation of complaints
- Video captures events in a way that can't be represented on paper
- BWV will be incident specific and will not be used to indiscriminately record Londoners



■ The Trial

- Largest urban trial of Body Worn Video in the world
- Collaboration between MPS, MOPAC and the college of policing
- Selection criteria: complaint rate (primary) and Stop & Search rate
- 10 boroughs selected from across the MPS - *2 teams per borough randomly assigned (approx 500 officers)*



Outcomes

- 33% reduction in complaint allegations.
- No noticeable change to stop & search encounters.
- Innovative use by officers.
- Londoners support BWV for the MPS.



■ The Camera

- Taser Axon Body 2 and flex cameras
- 12hr recording
- Hard wearing/ weather resistant
- wide angle view lens
- Docked at the end of each shift.
- Docked earlier if it contains evidence.
- Unable to edit or delete
- Auto deletion



Standby mode,
(when **red** visible)

Wide angle lens

On/off button

Flashing **Red** ring
indicates when recording

Policy of use

- Worn overtly
- Not continuously recording
- Mandatory incidents/encounters: Stopping a motor vehicle: Stop & Search: Stop & Account: Domestic abuse: Searching premises/land/vehicles: Attending premises in order to effect an arrest: Critical incidents: Use of force.
- Recording uninterrupted until it is no longer proportionate/ necessary, or another recording system takes priority.
- Officers will, when practicable use plain language to clearly state when a recording starts and ends.



■ Evidence Management

- Encrypted device
- UK based cloud storage
- Full audit trail from camera to court
- Footage deleted after 31days
- Footage retained longer if required for evidence, disclosure or other policing purpose
- The need for retention must be justifiable and tangible
- Subject access requests can be made under the Data Protection Act





Public awareness



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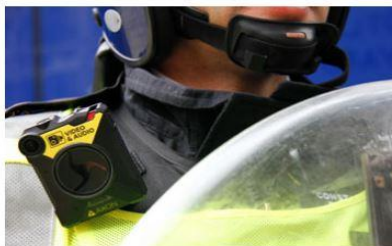
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Reasons for using BWV

The Met is clear in its ambition to become a world leading digital police force to enable frontline police officers to be more effective as well as strengthening the police/public partnership...

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When will BWV be used?

Common law provides the police with the authority to use BWV in the lawful execution of their duties, for the purpose of the prevention and detection of crime...

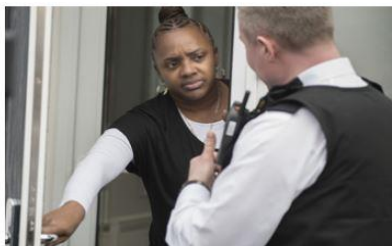
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MPS trial of BWV

The boroughs involved in the trial were Camden, Hillingdon, Ealing, Barnet, Lewisham, Croydon, Bexley, Bromley, Havering, Brent...

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Frequently Asked Questions



About the Camera

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