

Developing your ALPR policy

In the ACLU's reports on ALPR, they make recommendations for law enforcement who consider using ALPR. Flock addressed each of these in our system design and implementation.

- (1) Short data retention
 - (a) Flock by default deletes the data every 30 days, allowing a detective to use the footage for investigative purposes
 - (b) Flock is among the shortest of all the [state statutes](#) on data retention
- (2) No hot lists unless independently verified.
 - (a) The FBI curates NCIC hot list plates; the NIJ curates NAMUS; DOJ funds and curates NCMEC.
 - (b) Most ALPR policies require hot list verification before action.
- (3) No data sharing with 3rd parties.
 - (a) Flock does not share with 3rd parties
- (4) Consult legal counsel
 - (a) Flock welcomes conversations with legal counsel.
- (5) Open to public input and receive approval from democratically elected governing bodies
 - (a) Flock encourages all agencies to seek democratic approval.
- (6) Operate in public and disclose use of ALPR
 - (a) Flock developed a transparency portal.
- (7) Public audits and reports
 - (a) Flock requires an investigative reason to search, and we provide an audit report to system administrators.