



TOP CRITERIA TO CONSIDER WHEN CHOOSING AN IN-CAR AND BODY-WORN CAMERA SOLUTION.

Getac Video Solutions help you get the most out of your solution.

When it comes to in-car systems and body-worn cameras, many options are available, and many devices seem similar. When you take the time to compare details and critical needs, big differences become apparent. And when you set up your criteria based on your specific critical needs, you can effectively prioritize, rank and compare each product and solution.

To help you establish your criteria, we consulted one of our agency partners, the Amarillo Police Department. As they went through their selection process, they put in a lot of effort and time developing their criteria to achieve their ultimate goal: select robust and rugged video and data solutions for their department.

Once they assessed their department needs, they found that they required more than 200 body-worn cameras and 100 mobile video solutions for their patrol vehicles. Before they even field tested the devices, they identified key factors to determine which suppliers to review and criteria for awarding the contract.

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Based on the Amarillo Police Department's assessment, below are the top criteria to consider when choosing an in-car and body-worn solution:

☐ EASE OF USE

Look for a solution that isn't overly complicated. Consider what is most important to you, and what will create efficiencies yet retain the integrity for your chain of custody.

- Are you able to download video easily and efficiently, do you have options?
- How do you label and tag videos?
- How automated is the management and storage of the data?
- Do all the in-car devices provide a cohesive solution?
- Are you easily and remotely accessible to the station?

Your officers already have a lot of gear and devices. Anything overly complicated, difficult to use or redundant takes valuable time away from their critical duties.

Experience it — If it's not easy to use, it won't be.

☐ SIZE

You have limited space; small devices save valuable space and stay out of your way. You may be under the perception that larger devices mean more features; but with today's technology, you do not have to trade size for features.

Your officers already have gear that takes up space in their vehicles. Consider options that are streamlined, provide the features needed and reduce their footprint.

Body-worn cameras should fit comfortably and do the job they were designed to do.

In-car systems should not take up a lot of vehicle space; consider eliminating redundant devices that waste space.

☐ DATA MANAGEMENT

Retaining the integrity of your data is critical. It should be easy to download, easy to find and readily available with secured access for those who need it when they need it — not just for your officers, but individuals within the criminal justice system.

- Are you able to remotely manage your data?
- Does the system have robust categorization and search functionality that starts at the data origins?
- Does the system have a full chain-of-custody?
- Is there a per-seat licensing fee for the data management software?



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CUSTOMER SUPPORT

When you need help, you need a responsive partner to ensure you are up and running continuously. Make sure you have a support service plan from the company you purchase the body-worn camera and in-car solution from. Knowing there is someone who has your back and can get your problems solved quickly is critical.



PRICE

Let's face it, budgets continue to shrink as technology continues to play a larger role in law enforcement. Technology has become more sophisticated and plays an important role in helping to keep your officers safe. While price is critical, be aware not to trade features for costs. Consider options that are smaller and reduce the number of devices needed. Often, these devices can save you costs without reducing your features.



DURABILITY / RELIABILITY

Durability means rugged, and reliability means it works when and where your officers work.

- Are the devices IP67 and MIL-STD 810G rated for rough handling and environmental challenges?
- Do the devices and solutions deliver the reliability you need to maintain your connections to save you data?



MULTIPLE MOUNTING OPTIONS

Different environments and situations call for different mounting options. Validate that the devices offer mounts that meet your criteria. It's critical that the mounts you need work and are readily available when you need them.



PRE-EVENT CAPTURE / BUFFER

It's important to have your privacy, and it is also critical that you are able to capture the unexpected evidence just before you turn your camera on. Having the ability to capture data prior to turning on your camera is a feature that allows you to save on battery life as well as be set up to capture the early stages of an incident.

Take the time to assess which solution is right for you.

If you found this checklist helpful, let us know at sales@getacvideo.com or 833-820-5172.



Getac Video Solutions Body-Worn Cameras

The BWC-02 is one of the smallest and lightest designs in the industry and still boasts a wide range of features not found on similarly sized cameras. The BWC-02 is designed to simplify the user's experience; the automatic triggers and easy in-field tagging are just a few of its tech-forward features. When used with the VR-X20, you can replace your wireless mic. The BWC-02 is rugged rated — IP67 and MIL-STD 810G for rough handling and environmental challenges.

ZeroDark™ HD Camera

Working at night comes with the disadvantage of reduced visibility, especially when it comes to your in-car cameras. The ZeroDark HD Camera solves that problem so you can do your job, even in the darkest conditions. The cameras are small and discreet, and with 60 and 120 degree wide-angle cameras, you can create a 180 degree view.



5-inch HD Display

Combined with the VR-X20, the 5-inch HD display eliminates the need for a laptop in your vehicle, saving both space and money. The display pairs with a multi-touch interface complemented by user control buttons designed for simplicity and frequent use.

VR-X20

Getac Video's VR-X20 is a high-speed CPU that eliminates the need for a laptop, saving you money and valuable space inside your vehicles. Powered by the latest Intel® Core™ processors — i3-7100H 3.0 GHz, i5-7300HQ 2.5 GHz or i7-7700HQ 2.8 GHz — the VR-X20 delivers the reliability you need to maintain your connections and save your data.



Mounts

Getac Video designs and manufactures its own mounting solutions providing you with the opportunity to get the mounts you need regardless of the situation.