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Boston EMS has been granted limited use of the Boston Police Department's LiveWave closed circuit video system (CCTV) for the purposes of improving the delivery of services and enhancing the safety of the public and responders within the City of Boston. Authorized BEMS users will operate the system in accordance with established BEMS and BPD Policy and Procedures related to the equipment.

1. Authorized BEMS Personnel shall use the LiveWave system in accordance with policies and procedures established for its use. The system should not be used when there is a reasonable expectation of privacy by citizens.
2. During any joint agency event, BEMS should contact the BPD LiveWave representative or the UCC LiveWave operator before taking camera control (see FirstView Training and User Manual), and camera view shall always be returned to the original selection.
3. The BPD is responsible for maintaining video data. All data, except evidentiary recordings, but including routine recordings, activity logs, and procedures regarding the CCTV system shall be considered public information unless otherwise classified under MGL Ch 4 Sec. 7 Clause 26th (f).
4. The Commander of the Dispatch Operations Division shall submit a list of BEMS personnel to the BPD Chief, Bureau of Field Services (and/or designee) for approval and authorization to operate the LiveWave system.
5. BEMS Personnel authorized to operate the CCTV system shall be familiar with and shall abide by the policies and procedures regarding its use contained in the BPD CCTV Policy.
6. The BPD superior officer in charge of compliance shall periodically monitor operation of the CCTV system to ensure that operators are complying with all policies and procedures.