



Fusion Center P/CRCL Initial Training Handouts, Videos & Training Recommendations

HANDOUTS REFERENCED IN FUSION CENTER P/CRCL INITIAL TRAINING

1. 28 CFR Part 23 Standards: "At a Glance" Tip Sheet
2. 28 CFR Part 23: A Guide to Criminal Intelligence Policies (BJA)
3. 28 CFR Part 23 Overview – October 25, 2022 (BJA)
4. Baseline Capabilities for State and Major Urban Area Fusion Centers – September 2008 (DHS/Global/DOJ)
5. Checklist for the Development, Review, and Dissemination of Analytic Products and Resources – November 2013 (DHS/Global)
6. DHS Brochure on FIPs and Privacy and Civil Liberties Checklist (DHS)
7. DHS – (U//FOUO) CRCL Principles for Intelligence Analysis 2016 – December 14, 2016 (DHS)
8. DHS – (U//FOUO) CRCL Principles Handout – November 13, 2023 (DHS)
9. DHS PD 047-01-007 - Handbook for Safeguarding Sensitive PII 12-4-2017 (DHS)
10. DOJ FBI Hate Crime Threat Guide - June 2018 (DOJ/FBI)
11. Establishing a Privacy Officer Function within a Justice or Public Safety Entity – June 2014 (BJA/Global/DHS)
12. First Amendment Events – Rights of Participants & Role of State and Local law Enforcement at First Amendment Events (DOJ/Global/ DHS)
13. Fusion Center Privacy, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties Policy Development Template, Version 3.0 – March 2019 (DHS/DOJ/Global)
14. Guidance for Federal Law Enforcement Agencies Regarding the Use of Race, Ethnicity, Gender, National Origin, Religion, Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and Disability - May 2023 (DOJ)
15. Information Quality: The Foundation for Justice Decision Making – January 2010 (Global/DOJ)
16. ISE Functional Standard SAR v1.5.5 – Information Sharing Environment (ISE) Functional Standard (FS) Suspicious Activity Reporting (SAR) Version 1.5.5 – February 23, 2015 (PM-ISE)
17. ISE Key Issues Guidance, v 1.0 – February 11, 2008
18. ISE Privacy Guidelines - Guidelines to Ensure that the Information Privacy and Other Legal Rights of Americans are Protected in Development and Use of the Information Sharing Environment - 2012 (ODNI)
19. Law Enforcement Response to First Amendment Assemblies: Best Practices and Tactics: First Amendment Assembly Working Group Final Report - April 2021 (MCCA)
20. NSI - (U//LES) Suspicious Activity Reporting Vetting Tool: Tools for Analysts and Investigators – February 2016 (NSI)
21. NSI Suspicious Activity Reports (SARs)/Information Sharing Environment (ISE)-SARs and Sovereign Citizen Adherents – May 2015 (NSI)
22. NSI Suspicious Activity Reporting Indicators and Examples – March 2018
23. NSI – (U//LES) Vetting ISE-SAR Data: A Pathway to Ensure Best Practices 1.5.5 – January 2016
24. Privacy, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties Audit Guidance for the State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Intelligence Component - September 2015 (DHS/Global/BJA)
25. Recommendations for First Amendment-Protected Events for State and Local Law Enforcement Agencies - December 2011 (DOJ/Global/DHS)
26. State and Major Urban Area Fusion Centers Fact Sheet – July 2012 (DHS/Global/DOJ/BJA)



VIDEOS WITHIN FUSION CENTER P/CRCL INITIAL TRAINING

- **National Network of Fusion Centers (NNFC)** (video – 4:59 min) – <https://vimeo.com/318494678>

NFCA Presentation - Fusion centers are the central hub to collect, analyze, and dissemination information and intelligence between all levels of government. This video defines the role of fusion centers and the unique ways in which they support their communities. This video also highlights how fusion centers work to build lasting relationships with a wide array of partners, emphasizing the role information sharing places in keeping communities safe.

- **Fusion Center - Functions** (video – 4:55 min) - <https://vimeo.com/273570520>

NFCA Presentation - Fusion centers were created with the goal of identifying and preventing threats to the homeland. Fusion centers are the central point where communication occurs across jurisdictions and boundaries to continually to aid in the protection of the homeland. This video discusses the mission of fusion centers and how they collaboratively work with local, state, federal, tribal, territorial and private sector partners to proactively prevent criminal or terroristic threats. The video also highlights how intelligence and information are gathered, and the importance of suspicious activity reporting.

- **Fusion Center - P/CRCL Policies** (video – 7:42 min) - <https://vimeo.com/637038094>

NFCA Presentation - Fusion Centers prioritize the protection of privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties as a key component of their information and intelligence sharing mission. To ensure these obligations are met, each fusion center has a privacy policy, designated privacy officer and undergoes privacy training. This video discusses some of the ways fusion centers integrate privacy considerations into their day-to-day responsibilities, why it is important that they do so, and the proactive steps taken by centers across the Network to build relationships within their communities to share how they safeguard privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties while protecting public safety.

- **Right to Privacy “Right to be let alone”** (video – 1:37 min) - <https://youtu.be/33CIVjvYyEk>

ACLU Presentation - A video created by the ACLU that highlights concerns with Information Privacy.

- **IRTPA – Using ISE** (video – 8:53 min) - <https://vimeo.com/524962283>

NFCA Presentation - Fusion Centers, Regional Information Sharing Systems (RISS), High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA), and Joint Terrorism Task Forces all have unique missions, but work collaboratively and in coordination with state, local, tribal and territorial officials to protect communities. This video highlights the different roles these entities play, and how they work together in the prevention of criminal and terrorist threats to the homeland.

- **P/CRCL Protection - Privacy Training** (video – 5:52 min) - <http://www.technicalprivacytraining.org/modules/introduction/index.html>

BJA/Global Presentation - This 6-minute video introduces the business case for technical privacy enforcement. Vernon Keenan, the Director of the Georgia Bureau of Investigations, shares his



experiences and insights from the perspective of a major state agency. He is joined by Alan Harbitter, Ph.D., an IT leader in access control strategies with more than 30 years' experience.

ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDED TRAININGS REFERENCED IN FUSION CENTER P/CRCL INITIAL TRAINING

- ***Your Role in Protecting Privacy, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties*** - (Certificate of Completion available) <https://firstamendment.ncirc.gov/YourRole>

This training video (8:15 minutes in length) is designed to provide an overview to help law enforcement personnel prepare for and respond to a First Amendment-protected event and understand the privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties issues associated with a First Amendment-protected event. A short quiz will follow the end of the video with the option to print a certificate of completion.

- ***Line Officer Role Call Video: First Amendment – The Role of Law Enforcement*** – <https://firstamendment.ncirc.gov/FirstAmendmentRollCall>

The shorter line officer roll call video (3:31 minutes in length) provides an introductory overview of law enforcement personnel's roles and responsibilities at a First Amendment-protected event. This version is designed to be used during roll call and pre-event briefings.

- ***28 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 23 Online Training*** (requires access through LEEP or RISS accounts) - <https://28cfr.ncirc.gov/>

Welcome to the Bureau of Justice Assistance's Criminal Intelligence Systems Operating Policies (28 Code of Federal Regulations [CFR] Part 23) Online Training Program. This site is a tool for our nation's law enforcement and homeland security professionals. 28 CFR Part 23 is the guideline for law enforcement agencies that operate federally funded multijurisdictional or interjurisdictional criminal intelligence systems. The guideline specifically provides guidance for the submission, entry, security, inquiry, dissemination, review, and purge of criminal intelligence information. This site includes an introductory-level training on the regulation's core principles and provides an understanding of privacy and civil liberties concerns related to criminal intelligence information sharing.

Those agencies that are either supported through funding under the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, as amended (Safe Streets Act), or that are held to the requirements of grant special conditions (e.g., High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas, Homeland Security Grant Program) or state law must comply with the 28 CFR Part 23 regulation.

- ***Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting (SAR) Initiative (NSI) Fundamentals and Processes*** (1½ hour, U//LES training, requires registration and approval) - <https://hselms-portal.acadisonline.com/>

The SAR Fundamentals and Processes training provides users with a foundational overview of the NSI and assists in the identification, evaluation, and reporting/sharing of emerging threat reporting. It underscores the evaluation process used to determine whether identified behavior adheres to the Information Sharing Environment (ISE)-SAR Functional Standard criteria, in accordance with privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections. In addition, this course



reviews the technical processes and procedures for submitting SAR into the Federal Bureau of Investigation's eGuardian system and provides an overview of eGuardian search capabilities.

- ***Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting (SAR) Initiative (NSI) Fundamentals Training*** (requires registration and approval) - <https://www.dhs.gov/form/hsi/nter>

This one-hour Suspicious Activity Reporting (SAR) Fundamentals training course provides an interactive overview of the Nationwide SAR Initiative (NSI). It provides users an understanding of the evaluation process used to determine whether identified behavior adheres to the Information Sharing Environment Functional Standard criteria, in accordance with privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties protections. This training is available to federal, state, local, tribal, territorial, and private sector homeland security partners.

- ***Online SAR Training for Law Enforcement and Hometown Security Partners*** (various trainings, each requires registration) - <https://www.dhs.gov/nationwide-sar-initiative-hsi/online-sar-training>

To increase the effectiveness of this multifaceted approach, the NSI has developed training programs for frontline officers and hometown security partners regarding documented and verified behaviors and indicators that, when viewed in the context of all known facts and circumstances, may indicate terrorism-related criminal activity. Both the SAR Line Officer Training and each sector-specific SAR Hometown Security Partners Training discuss how to report identified suspicious activity to the proper authorities while maintaining the protection of citizens' privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties.

- ***SAR Line Officer Training, Version 2*** (requires registration and approval) - <https://courses.dhs.gov/courses/course/sar-line-officer-training-version-2>

Please note: The SAR Line Officer Training is intended for law enforcement personnel only.

Version 2 of the Suspicious Activity Reporting (SAR) Line Officer Training was developed in 2014 to assist law enforcement line officers in understanding what kinds of suspicious behaviors are associated with pre-incident terrorism and other criminal activity, documenting and reporting suspicious activity, and protecting privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties when documenting information. This training also provides information about integrating the Nationwide SAR Initiative (NSI) into your organization's operations.

Version 2 has been enhanced to cover additional behaviors and indicators outlined in the SAR Functional Standard. It offers new scenarios relating to suspicious activity reporting and contains a quiz at the end of the training that, upon completion, will afford the participant the opportunity to print a SAR Line Officer Training Certificate of Participation.