



# eGuardian

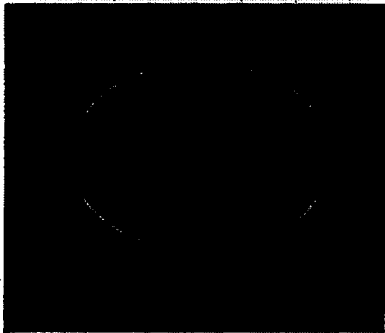
## Frequently Asked Questions




**The overall classification of this brief is:  
UNCLASSIFIED/Law Enforcement Sensitive**



# eGuardian



**eGuardian is a secure, user-friendly system implemented to share potential terrorist threats, terrorist events, and suspicious activity among the state, local, tribal, and federal law enforcement partners along with state fusion centers and the Federal Bureau of Investigation Joint Terrorism Task Forces (JTTFs)**




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## Guardian Threat Tracking Programs

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- Available to users via Law Enforcement Online (LEO)
- System designed to share potential terrorist threats, terrorist events, and suspicious activity at the Unclassified Law Enforcement Sensitive level
- Available to users with access to FBlnet
- System designed to share potential terrorist threats, terrorist events, and suspicious activity up to the Secret level
- When an incident is approved in the eGuardian unclassified system, the incident is uploaded simultaneously to Guardian and eGuardian
- Both systems have a link to the FBI JTTFs



# eGuardian

## How does eGuardian differ from other threat databases?

- eGuardian is the only threat tracking system that shares potential terrorist threats, terrorist events, and suspicious activity information with other state, local, tribal, and federal law enforcement agencies; state fusion centers; and your local FBI JTTF
- eGuardian is the only system that allows law enforcement partners to access unclassified data from Guardian



# eGuardian

## What features does eGuardian offer?

- eGuardian provides a near real-time sharing environment
- In addition to the potential threats, terrorist events, and suspicious activity information, eGuardian offers the ability to enter documents, images, videos, and audios as attachments
- eGuardian hosts geospatial mapping, live chat, and link analysis capabilities\*
- The eGuardian Special Interest Group (SIG) is moderated by FBI personnel assigned to the Threat Monitoring Unit through FBI headquarters (FBIHQ)
- The eGuardian database is searchable using advanced query techniques

\*These features will not be available during initial testing



# eGuardian

## How does eGuardian benefit me?

- eGuardian will provide the law enforcement community with a near real-time information sharing and threat tracking system
- Users will be able to import/export information to create statistics and charts for budgetary/personnel matters



## eGuardian

### **How do I access/input information into eGuardian?**

- Access to eGuardian is available through the eGuardian SIG hosted via LEO
- Once your account has been validated, you will be able to access eGuardian information from any computer with Internet access
- eGuardian provides an intuitive, user-friendly interface for entering and viewing potential terrorist threat, terrorist event, and suspicious activity information



## eGuardian

### **Will all users have the ability to enter an incident?**

- Access to the eGuardian SIG will be determined by eGuardian SIG moderators in conjunction with your local fusion center
- The eGuardian system is designed for use by law enforcement/intelligence analysts with an operational need



## eGuardian

### **Where does the data go after it is entered?**

- Once an incident has been created, it will be submitted for review at the local fusion center or the eFusion center, which will refer incidents to the system
- Once the incident has been referred, it will be streamed to both Guardian and eGuardian



## eGuardian

### **Who owns the information in eGuardian?**

- The originating agency is the owner of its own information
- During incident input, the providing agency will select a retention date from a drop-down menu
- Information that passes to Guardian remains in eGuardian and includes a tracking number and contact information for the assigned fusion center
- Information that is deemed inconclusive remains in eGuardian for a maximum of 5 years in accordance with 28 CFR Part 23



## eGuardian

### **Will the agencies and departments represented on the NJTTF have access to eGuardian?**

- Yes, the National FBIHQ Threat Monitoring Unit will be the approving authority that provides entrance to the eGuardian SIG
- Access for non-sworn law enforcement and intelligence analysts may be limited to fusion centers, JTTFs, NJTTF, and agencies with an operational need



## eGuardian

### **Will I have to enter several passwords to access eGuardian?**

- No. You only need your LEO password
- Once logged in to LEO, you are connected to the eGuardian SIG via a quick link and after agreeing to the disclaimer, directed to the eGuardian system



## eGuardian

### **How long will it take to get information into eGuardian?**

- Once an incident has been created in eGuardian, it will transmit to the fusion center for review
- This review will occur in a timely manner that will lead to rapid transmission to the JTTF and Guardian



## eGuardian

### **Who else can view the incident once it has been created, and how do I track it?**

- Once an incident is accepted into eGuardian, anyone with LEO access and validation for the eGuardian SIG will be able to view the incident
- A review of the incident in eGuardian will reveal the status of the incident and will post contact information for your local fusion center representative



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## Initial Project

- eGuardian will deploy initial testing in the summer of 2008
- A full workflow will be tested utilizing the Richmond Fusion Center, the Northern Virginia Regional Intelligence Center, the FBI's Richmond Division JTTF, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA)/ Federal Air Marshals, and the U.S. Department of Defense (DOD)
- Modifications will be made upon completion of the initial testing
- A phased rollout to the law enforcement community is estimated to begin in December 2008
- For further updates on eGuardian, please check the eGuardian SIG hosted by LEO
- Feel free to post questions on the E-GUARD Forum on LEO