



Audio Visual Surveillance Technology Frequently Asked Questions

How do I know what standards are to be followed in the operation of the system?

All operations (except by law enforcement and official audits) of AVST equipment at Texas A&M University are expected to comply with the AVST Operational Standards.

Where do I place the camera signs in my building?

The location of the sign(s) must be “conspicuous” (obvious to the eye, attracting attention). Section 703.4 of the 2010 Americans with Disabilities Act Standards for Accessible Design may provide some guidance for effective placement of the signage.

How often does the committee meet?

The AVST Committee meets the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month (excluding holidays).

How long does it take the committee to process an installation submission?

The Committee recommends that a request be submitted at least one month in advance of intended installation/operation. However, requests for routine installations are usually processed in two weeks or less.

How will I know when the installation request has been approved?

An email notice verifying the approval of the AVST request will be sent to the primary contact listed in the request.

If I amend a request, do I have to complete a new request submission form?

In most cases no, but it depends on the degree to which the original request is being amended. Simply contact avst@tamu.edu and explain what changes are desired. You will be notified regarding what additional information is needed and how to provide that information.

If my department has older cameras, do I submit a request for the existing cameras?

No. Existing installations will be reviewed for compliance at some time in the future.

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