

VIDEO SURVEILLANCE MODERNIZATION CHECKLIST

Use this self assessment worksheet to evaluate your current video surveillance system.

SYSTEM COMPATIBILITY AND AGE

How old is your current video surveillance system? _____

Is your system analog, digital, or a hybrid? _____

Are your cameras compatible with IP (Internet Protocol) technology? **Yes or No** _____

VIDEO STORAGE AND MANAGEMENT

Where are your video recordings currently stored (on-premise, NVR, DVR, etc.)? _____

How long do you need to retain recorded footage? _____

Do you experience challenges with physical storage limitations (e.g., hard drive capacity)? _____

Are you able to easily scale up storage as needed? _____

ACCESSIBILITY AND REMOTE MONITORING

Can your system be accessed remotely, from anywhere, and on any device (smartphones, tablets, etc.)? _____

Is there a need to improve real-time access to footage for staff or security personnel? _____

Does your current system allow for multi-site monitoring and management from a central location? _____

SECURITY AND DATA PROTECTION

Are your video files encrypted, both during storage and when transmitted over networks? _____

Is your current system protected from cybersecurity threats such as hacking or unauthorized access? _____

How are backups handled in case of system failure or data loss? _____

SYSTEM MAINTENANCE AND UPDATES

How often does your system require manual software or firmware updates? _____

Are you experiencing high maintenance costs or frequent downtimes? _____

Does your team have the capability to maintain the current system, or is external support required? _____

SMART FEATURES AND ANALYTICS

Does your system have advanced features like motion detection, facial recognition, or object tracking? _____

Are you interested in adding smart features, such as automatic alerts for unusual activities? _____

Can your system support cloud-based video analytics for improved insights? _____

SCALABILITY AND FUTURE-PROOFING

How easily can your current system scale if your business grows or adds more locations? _____

Are you limited by hardware or on-premise constraints in terms of expanding or upgrading your system? _____

Would you benefit from a future-proof solution that evolves with technology advancements? _____

COST AND EFFICIENCY

What are the ongoing costs of maintaining your on-premise storage (energy, physical space, security, etc.)? _____

Do you face high upfront costs for upgrading or replacing hardware? _____

Would shifting to a subscription-based cloud service reduce your total cost of ownership? _____

COMPLIANCE AND REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

Does your industry require specific compliance or data retention standards? _____

Are you able to easily retrieve footage in case of legal or regulatory inquiries? _____

DISASTER RECOVERY AND REDUNDANCY

What happens to your video recordings in case of a system failure or natural disaster? _____

Is your current system backed up automatically to ensure footage is recoverable? _____