



Agency-Controlled Data Sharing and Strong Privacy Controls

Your Data. Your Rules.

PlateRanger is architected differently. We start from a simple premise. Your agency owns and controls its data. Every critical privacy decision is directly in the hands of the agency.

We understand that many agencies are taking a closer look at how their LPR data is shared and governed. Responsible vendor policies and controls for data ownership and data sharing policies are critical for agencies to trust their commercial partners. If you are reassessing your current approach, we would welcome the opportunity to show you a model built around agency control using clear policies and controls.

Data Sharing and Partner Access

Some LPR platforms were designed to maximize nationwide sharing as a core value proposition, requiring agencies to actively opt out rather than in.

With PlateRanger, there is no automatic nationwide inclusion. Agencies explicitly choose which partners can query their data and whether they participate in a broader sharing network.

Agency Authorized Partner Search — PlateRanger enables agencies to connect directly with specific partner agencies for cross-jurisdictional searches, without being forced into a broader network. Your agency chooses exactly which partners can query your data.

Rekor Partner Sharing Network (RPSN) — For agencies that want broader reach, the optional RPSN provides access to a nationwide data-sharing network — but participation is entirely at the agency's discretion.

Precise Partner Permissions — Agencies can restrict network availability and data sharing based on partner relationships, using tenant-level and access control list (ACL) configurations.

No Vendor Access to Operational Data — Personnel do not access agency data without explicit agency authorization.



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Flexible, Agency-Defined Retention Policies

Configurable Retention Periods — System Administrators can establish retention periods for all plate reads across the platform, with a default of 30 days.

Differentiated Retention by Hot List — PlateRanger, powered by Rekor, combines hot list-level configurability with patented incident-based retention to deliver a highly targeted, policy-driven data lifecycle approach. Agencies can define independent retention policies for each alert or hot list, enabling extended retention for high-priority events (e.g., AMBER Alerts, stolen vehicles) while applying shorter windows to routine reads. This is further enhanced by Rekor's patented incident-based retention framework, which dynamically adjusts data retention based on investigatory relevance, offense severity, and community-informed policies—providing agencies with precise control over sensitive vehicle data while reinforcing transparency, compliance, and public trust.

Policy-Driven Purging — Automated data lifecycle management ensures reads are retained only as long as your agency's policy and applicable law require, then securely purged.

Full Administrative Control — Only authorized System Administrators can modify retention settings, with all changes captured in the audit log.

Role-Based Access Control (RBAC) with Permission Groups

Custom Permission Groups — Administrators create and assign permission groups that define exactly what each user or group of users can access — including specific camera feeds, search capabilities, alert lists, and analytical tools.

Camera-Level Restrictions — Permission groups can restrict user access to specific camera details and feeds, ensuring that users see only data relevant to their assignment, jurisdiction, or clearance level.

Unlimited Users & Groups — No caps on the number of users, roles, or permission groups your agency can create.

Least-Privilege Architecture — PlateRanger employs role-based permissions as a method of least privilege, ensuring users have only the minimum access necessary for their duties.

Privileged Access Management — Only System Administrators can add new users, assign roles, and grant admin privileges — preventing unauthorized escalation.



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Search Accountability & Internal Oversight

Mandatory Search Justification — PlateRanger can be configured to require users to provide a documented reason or case number before executing any plate search, ensuring every query is tied to a legitimate law enforcement purpose.

Comprehensive Search Audit Trail — The Search Audit module enables administrators to monitor and review all previous searches conducted by any PlateRanger user, searchable by user, license plate, event type, and time frame.

Full Activity Logging — Beyond searches, the platform logs all user activity — including alert views, report generation, data exports, and administrative changes — with user attribution and timestamps.

Internal Affairs & Compliance Ready — Audit capabilities are designed to support internal affairs reviews, CJIS compliance audits, public records requests, and community accountability requirements.

Exportable Audit Reports — The Reports module allows administrators to search, filter, and export audit records by user, time frame, and report type for external review or legal proceedings.

What You Can Expect From Us

PlateRanger gives agencies a clear advantage because control stays with the people responsible for protecting the public and managing sensitive data. We are not focused on building the largest network. We are focused on providing controls and policies for an agency-first platform.

That matters because privacy is not just about who owns the data on paper. It is about who controls how data is shared, used, retained, and governed in practice. PlateRanger is built to give agencies control, with data-sharing decisions aligned to agency policy rather than vendor discretion.

With agency-controlled sharing, strong privacy safeguards, and policies built around ownership and accountability, PlateRanger offers a more trustworthy approach for agencies seeking the benefits of LPR without giving up control of their data. For agencies evaluating their options, the difference is clear: PlateRanger is built to support agency rules, agency oversight, and agency authority.



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