

4501:2-10-08 International justice and public safety information sharing network (NLETS).

(A) There are two basic types of NLETS messages: administrative and inquiry. The formats for NLETS messages as outlined in the LEADS operating manual will be followed at all times.

(B) Administrative messages:

(1) NLETS has established the following restrictions to control the sending of all points (AP) messages. These types of messages should be used only when the information is relevant nationwide. If the message pertains to a geographical area of the United States, i.e., east coast, sunbelt, etc., it should be sent using a regional broadcast code which more narrowly focuses on the states that need, or can supply, the information.

(2) Recognizing there are circumstances where the seriousness of the situation necessitates national broadcast the all points message may be sent under the following conditions:

(a) A user has information that is pertinent to a criminal investigation that is of interest to all states and cannot be entered into NCIC.

(b) A user has information regarding kidnapping, skyjacking or other serious criminal acts. Keep messages as brief as possible.

(c) A user has information on a wanted person that cannot be entered into NCIC, but is of interest to all states.

(3) NLETS may not be used in the following types of messages:

(a) No social announcements, i.e., holiday messages or retirements, etc.

(b) No solicitation of funds, seminar, conventions or training class announcements; except training and seminar announcements may be sent via regional broadcast codes to states in geographic proximity of the center. The course must provide a direct service to law enforcement and may not include a name of a private company; except nonprofit company.

(c) No recruitment of personnel.

(d) No messages in which the complainant is interested only in recovery of property.

(e) No attempts to locate vehicle (breach of trust) without a warrant.

(f) No excessively long messages.

(g) No messages supportive of, or in opposition to, political issues or announcements relative to such issues.

(h) No messages supportive of, or in opposition to, labor management issues or announcements relative to such issues.

(i) No messages supportive of, or in opposition to, proposed legislation.

(j) No messages relating to requests for information concerning salary, uniforms, personnel or related items which can be routinely obtained by correspondence or means other than NLETS.

(k) No messages relating to the advertisement or sale of equipment.

(l) No messages regarding wanted subjects or vehicles if they can be entered into NCIC.

(m) No attempt-to-locate messages.

(n) No missing persons or runaways if they can be entered into NCIC.

(o) No transmission of subpoenas.

(p) Automated positive message acknowledgment (PMA) will not be allowed except when a need can be shown that automated PMA is required in order to capture information that can be of substantial value in diagnosing an information exchange problem. Under no circumstances will the temporary use of PMA exceed forty-five days. Authorization for temporary PMA can be given by the executive director.

(C) Inquiry into the vehicle registration, driver's license information, or other data obtained via NLETS is limited to law enforcement, criminal justice, department of motor vehicles purposes or other legitimate governmental non-criminal justice purposes approved by the superintendent of the Ohio state highway patrol and NLETS.

(D) Hazardous material information obtained through NLETS may be released to emergency services personnel outside the criminal justice community, i.e., fire departments and emergency management agencies.

(E) Homeland security information obtained through NLETS may be released outside the criminal justice community as designated on the message relayed by LEADS.

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