

## CCTV – The Standards

There are a number of systems available and it is likely that you will need to seek expert advice. There are inexpensive modular ones that may be suitable for certain locations. However it is probable that the degree of sophistication required will be beyond their capabilities. Good quality picture production and sound is fundamental. Colour monitors are recommended that will enable your staff to be more assertive and help to identify criminals and recover of goods more easily.

We recommend you approach National Security Inspectorate (NSI ) in the UK or the National Standards Authority of Ireland (NSAI) who in addition to operating a supervisory council for intruder alarms also oversee installers of CCTV systems. The SSAIB and the SSAIB Ireland also monitors standards. One of their members (or equivalent organization of you are based overseas) will advise which one suits your particular requirements in conjunction with your Insurers' representative.

In the UK you can locate a suitably qualified company from the NSI website

<http://www.nsi.org.uk/jkcm/default.asp?pg=16>

<http://www.ssaib.info/adsearch/>

[www.ssaib.ie](http://www.ssaib.ie)

Internet Protocol (IP) systems have now been designed to allow you to view your premises from almost anywhere in the world, using a PC or even a mobile phone. CCTV cameras can now be connected both via cables and wirelessly to a surveillance system using IP. This will enable you to log on to your video server via the internet and view real time images of your premises.

