

Officers do not have the power to delete digital images, destroy film or to prevent photography in a public place under either power (Sections 43 and 44 of the Terrorism Act 2000)."

stopped;

Unless there is a very good reason, people taking photographs should not be

The act of taking a photograph in itself is not usually sufficient to carry out a stop;

There is no prohibition on photographing frontline uniform staff;

There is no restriction on people taking photographs in public places or of any building other than in very exceptional circumstances;

"Whilst we must remain vigilant at all times in dealing with suspicious behaviour, staff must also be clear that:



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The guidelines printed overleaf have been issued to all police staff by the Head of Specialist Operations for the Metropolitan Police Service. Their purpose is to assist officers in dealing with amateur and professional photographers working in public places.