

EXTERNAL CONTEXT: FLOCK FEDERAL SHARING & IMMIGRATION SAFEGUARDS

Flock Safety's own published descriptions of federal-access controls and policy changes

Important: This document summarizes Flock Safety's own public statements and should be read as vendor-described policy and product context. It is **not proof of Gulfport's actual sharing settings, historical configuration, or use.**

What Flock says about federal and ICE access

In its January 6, 2026 article "Does Flock Share Data With ICE?", Flock states that it does not work with ICE, that federal sharing is disabled by default, and that federal agencies are not part of statewide or nationwide lookup networks. Flock says a federal agency can access locally controlled data only when the customer that owns the data expressly allows the sharing relationship.

Safeguards Flock says it added

Safeguard	Vendor-described function
Federal sharing default	Flock says sharing with federal agencies is disabled by default.
Single federal-sharing toggle	Flock says local law-enforcement administrators can disable all federal sharing from Admin Settings.
Statewide/National lookup	Flock says federal agencies are excluded from statewide and national lookup networks.
Immigration/reproductive-care filters	Flock says it created keyword/search filters that can block prohibited immigration- and reproductive-care-related searches where required and can be enabled more broadly.
Federal organization designation	Flock says federal agencies are identified as a distinct category so local agencies can recognize federal requests and make local sharing decisions.
Auditability	Flock says audit reports are available to review product usage and sharing activity.

Why Flock says these controls changed

Flock's August 25, 2025 "Ensuring Local Compliance" statement acknowledged that the company had conducted limited pilots with U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and Homeland Security Investigations (HSI). Flock also said it had not created sufficiently distinct permissions and protocols for federal users and paused the ongoing federal pilots while developing clearer controls.

Flock later described additional changes, including distinct federal-user labeling, limits on federal participation in broad lookup networks, training on sharing settings and roles, and more explicit compliance tools.

What this means for Gulfport review

The existence of these vendor controls makes Gulfport-specific configuration records important. A local review should distinguish between **what Flock says the platform can restrict** and **what Gulfport actually enabled, disabled, shared, or permitted**. The vendor's public statements cannot answer the second question by themselves.

Original Flock sources

Does Flock Share Data With ICE? - published January 6, 2026
<https://www.flocksafety.com/blog/does-flock-share-data-with-ice>

Ensuring Local Compliance - published August 25, 2025
<https://www.flocksafety.com/blog/ensuring-local-compliance>

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