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Basic Investigation Techniques – On-Scene Overview

II 110

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SAFETY & SECURITY

Trespassing

Agents should never trespass on private property. You do have legal authority to inspect any radio station (broadcast, land mobile, amateur, etc.) at any time; however, you should contact the property owner to gain access.

QUIZ

Please take online quiz here (currently disabled).

Questions

Q2/5: It is OK to trespass on private property if you have found an FCC violation.

- a. True
- b. False

Limits of Authority

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LEARNING

INTRODUCTION

- ❖ **No trespassing.** The laws concerning trespass on private property apply to field agents working on an inspection or investigation. Trespass to land is the “intentional intrusion” on the property of another. It is actionable in court. If the trespasser does not leave after being warned by the property owner or occupant, it may also be a criminal offense. The defenses to trespassing include entering by accident, or using a public easement or right-of-way over the land. Otherwise, a field agent should ask the permission of the property owner prior to entering the property. The authority under Section 303(n) to inspect all radio stations does not

give field agents the right to enter an individual's property or building without permission. **Note:** A field agent may use a front walk up to a house without permission when seeking to perform an inspection. Additionally, a building that is open to the public is also open to field agents. Going beyond public areas, however, will require the permission of the building's owner or management.