



New Catalytic Converter Part Lookup via NLETS

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Through the NAQ message key, NLETS supports many lookup files provided by the National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB), National Vehicles Systems (NVS), and Locator Technologies. NVS has partnered with RetainAGroup to provide law enforcement access to future and current unique codes applied to catalytic converters, allowing for the identification of a potential stolen part.

NLETS supports this effort via the NAQ message key. These queries are currently supported by NVS utilizing the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) field of the NAQ. This implementation will continue to be supported in the future. To continue our efforts to establish and maintain messaging standards, NLETS has added a new field to the query for the part number.

NLETS is excited to help provide this information from NVS to our community. Please contact the NLETS Service Center with any questions concerning this new implementation.

What is NLETS, exactly?

NLETS – the International Justice and Public Safety Network, is a not-for-profit computer-based message switching system that links together and supports every state, local, and federal law enforcement, justice, and public safety agency for the purposes of sharing and exchanging critical information.

In simpler terms, we are the information superhighway of the law enforcement community. Just like a highway exists to transport vehicles, we exist to move criminal justice information where it needs to go.

However, it is important to note that we do not own any of the data that is being used in the criminal justice or public safety realm – we exist solely for the purpose of securely accessing that information for the criminal justice community.