

IC 9-26-2

Chapter 2. Duties of Law Enforcement Officers and Accident Reports

IC 9-26-2-1

Investigation of accidents resulting in injury, death, or property damage of at least \$1,000

Sec. 1. A law enforcement officer shall investigate each motor vehicle accident that results in any of the following:

- (1) The injury or death of a person.
- (2) Total property damage to an apparent extent of at least one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.14. Amended by P.L.157-2003, SEC.4.

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Accident reports

Sec. 2. A law enforcement officer shall forward a written report of each accident investigated under section 1 of this chapter to the state police department within twenty-four (24) hours after completing the investigation. The report must contain, if possible, the following information:

- (1) The name and address of the owner and operator of each vehicle involved in the accident.
- (2) The license number and description of each vehicle involved in the accident.
- (3) The time and place the accident occurred.
- (4) The name and address of each person injured or killed in the accident.
- (5) The name and address of each witness to the accident.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.14.

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Accident report not confidential record

Sec. 3. A report filed by a law enforcement officer under section 2 of this chapter is not a confidential record and shall be made available for inspection and copying under IC 5-14-3.

As added by P.L.2-1991, SEC.14.

IC 9-26-2-4

Enforcement of traffic regulations and financial responsibility provisions against parties to accidents on private property

Sec. 4. (a) A law enforcement officer shall enforce IC 9-21 and IC 9-25 against the parties to a motor vehicle accident on private property if the accident:

- (1) occurs on commercial or other private property that is open to the public; and
- (2) results in:
 - (A) personal injury or death; or
 - (B) property damage to an apparent extent greater than one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

(b) This section does not affect the power of a local government unit to contract with the owner or lessee of a shopping center or private business property under IC 9-21-18-4.

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