

# MONTANA HIGHWAY PATROL VEHICLE CRASH REPORT

## TOP OF ACCIDENT REPORT

The driver of vehicle involved in a crash resulting in injury to or death of any person or property damage to an apparent extent of \$500.00 or more shall immediately by the quickest means of communication give notice of such crash to the local law enforcement agency.

If the investigating officer or agency does not produce a written report and the damage is in excess of \$1000.00 the operator of the vehicle must report such crash within ten days in writing to the department at this address: **Montana Highway Patrol - 2550 Prospect Ave - Helena, MT 59620**

Information about the date, time and exact location of your crash. The police officer responding to your crash will also often note the time when they were notified of the crash. Make sure all information is accurate. The smallest mistake could jeopardize the outcome of your case.

**Print all information below:**

DATE OF CRASH \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_ DAY OF WEEK \_\_\_\_\_ HOUR \_\_\_\_\_  A.M.  P.M.  
 PLACE WHERE  
 CRASH OCCURRED: COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_ CITY OR TOWN \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_  
 If crash was outside city limits     of \_\_\_\_\_  
 indicate distance from nearest town \_\_\_\_\_ miles North South East West (City or Town)  
 ROAD ON WHICH  
 CRASH OCCURRED \_\_\_\_\_ AT IT'S INTERSECTION WITH \_\_\_\_\_  
 Give name or street or highway number (U.S. or State)

## YOUR VEHICLE - NO 1

Driver information (driver's license number, your name, address) and vehicle information (license plate number, vehicle type, make and year) can be found here. Estimated dollar amount of damage to your car (along with your insurance provider) is also located here. There's also a line here for you or the investigating officer to check whether they think the vehicle damage was over \$1,000. Many insurance companies use this information to determine how much money to offer you after your car accident. Make sure the information's accurate.

### YOUR VEHICLE - NO 1

Year Make Type (Sedan, truck, taxi, etc.)  
 VEHICLE  
 LICENSE PLATE \_\_\_\_\_  
 Year State Number  
 DRIVER \_\_\_\_\_  
 First Name Middle or Maiden Name Last Name  
 DRIVER'S  
 ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street or R.F. D.  
 City and State Zip Code  
 DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_  
 Month Day Year  Male  Female  
 DRIVER'S  
 LICENSE \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number State  
 OWNER  
 First Name Middle or Maiden Name Last Name  
 OWNER'S  
 ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street City and State Zip Code  
 INSURANCE CARRIER \_\_\_\_\_  
 VEHICLE DAMAGE  
 VEH DAMAGE OVER \$1000.00 Yes  NO

### OTHER VEHICLE - NO 2

Year Make Type (Sedan, truck, taxi, etc.)  
 VEHICLE  
 LICENSE PLATE \_\_\_\_\_  
 Year State Number  
 DRIVER \_\_\_\_\_  
 First Name Middle or Maiden Name Last Name  
 DRIVER'S  
 ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street or R.F. D.  
 City and State Zip Code  
 DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_  
 Month Day Year  Male  Female  
 DRIVER'S  
 LICENSE \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number State  
 OWNER  
 First Name Middle or Maiden Name Last Name  
 OWNER'S  
 ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street City and State Zip Code  
 INSURANCE CARRIER \_\_\_\_\_  
 VEHICLE DAMAGE  
 VEH DAMAGE OVER \$1000.00 Yes  NO

## OTHER VEHICLE - NO 2

Information about the at-fault driver (driver's license number, name, address) and other driver's car (vehicle type, license plate number, etc.) can be found here. Estimated value of damage to the car is listed here, including whether the estimated car damage exceeded \$1,000. Make sure you agree with this information. If not, we can help you challenge inaccurate information.

DAMAGE TO PROPERTY  
 OTHER THAN VEHICLE \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name and address of owner of object struck \_\_\_\_\_  
 WAS THERE AN  Yes \_\_\_\_\_ Department \_\_\_\_\_  
 OFFICER AT THE SCENE  No \_\_\_\_\_ Name or badge number \_\_\_\_\_ City, County, State \_\_\_\_\_

## INJURED PERSONS, SEATING POSITION & WEATHER

Names of "injured persons" listed here, along with whether their injuries are visible and their seat position in the car. Information about the weather conditions (clear, raining, snowing, etc.), road surface information (dry, wet, muddy, etc.) and light (daylight, dusk, dawn, etc.) is included here. If you disagree with any of this information, we can work with you to set the record straight.

### INJURED PERSONS

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
 Check One  
 1.  Visible injuries.  
 2.  Complaint of pain, without visible signs of injury.  
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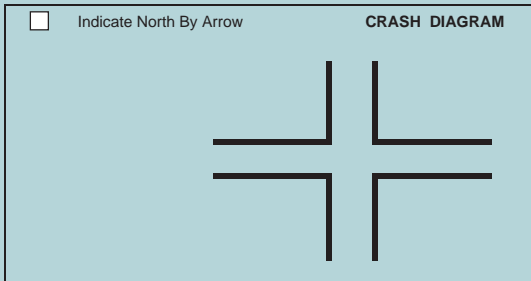
### SEATING POSITION OF INJURED

Driver In Vehicle No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Front Seat Passenger  
 Back Seat Passenger  
 Pedestrian  
 Driver In Vehicle No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Front Seat Passenger  
 Back Seat Passenger  
 Pedestrian

WEATHER  Clear  Raining  Snowing  Fog  Specify Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 ROAD SURFACE  Dry  Wet  Muddy  Snowy  Icy  
 LIGHT  Daylight  Dusk  Dawn  Darkness-street lighted  Darkness - street not lighted

### DESCRIBE WHAT HAPPENED

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 SIGN HERE \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature Of Person Involved Date



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## CRASH DIAGRAM & DESCRIPTION

This is perhaps the most important part of your Montana Highway Patrol Vehicle Crash Report. The crash diagram describes the exact location of the cars involved in the collision. The crash description explains in the investigating police officer's words what happened. Make sure the crash diagram and accident description are correct. Even the angle of the cars – and where they were before impact – can be a significant factor when determining who was at fault.