

CTSRC Crash News Update



My name is Chuck Grasso and I am a retired Police Sergeant now working for the University of Connecticut Transportation Safety Research Center as a Crash Data Liaison to Law Enforcement. Each month I will be bringing you a newsletter on both the progress of the new MMUCC PR-1, as well as crash investigation news.

Data Quality

The first submissions of the new MMUCC PR-1 are being received by DOT and the overall quality is excellent with only a few areas needing to be reinforced. Inquiries have been made about the types of questions that are on the MMUCC PR-1. The new MMUCC PR-1 breaks questions down into two separate, unique, but equally important categories.

The first category of questions involve the overall environmental conditions at the time of the collision and are not necessarily contributing factors in the crash. The second area of questions are the investigative questions that have a direct correlation to the contributing factors and facts of the collision.

The entirety of the form includes questions regarding latitude and longitude, area of impact, traffic way ownership and advanced descriptions of the collision and all persons involved. It must be noted that under many categories, there are numerous selections that can be made. For example, under "Weather Conditions" an investigator can make two selections. In this section (and others where "not applicable" is an option) the officer should never select "not applicable" as the description of the weather in the area at the time of the collision is a required field.



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Crash Spotlight

As part of the monthly newsletter, the CT Transportation Safety Research Center would like to focus on collision investigation and roadway safety. Each month we will be highlighting



crash scenarios involving unique collisions. We strongly encourage each agency to submit any collision scenarios that they feel could assist other officers and agencies in completing crash reports. Each month one collision will be selected and highlighted in the crash spotlight portion of this newsletter.

Stay Safe Out There

The weather conditions in the winter months creates an added stress on police officers while on patrol and responding to emergencies. According to the [National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial fund](#), 434 officers have been killed in automobile collisions since 2004. This is only second to the 549 who were shot during the same period. Officers need to be vigilant at all times and use extreme caution when driving in hazardous conditions. Remember to *stay safe out there*.

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