

Traffic Division Policy Regarding Access to Collision Reports Pursuant to Vehicle Code Section 20012

The following persons are authorized to view or obtain copies of collision reports:

- The parties involved in the collision if they have sufficient identification to establish themselves as the persons named in the report or as owners of vehicles or other damages property described in the report.
- In the case of a vehicle or property owned by a commercial or public entity, the representative must have sufficient identification showing that he or she is, in fact, such a representative. The name of the commercial or public entity must be documented on the face sheet of the collision report.
- The parent or legal guardian or a minor driver (under 18) involved in the collision, if such person can demonstrate that he or she is, in fact, the parent or legal guardian of the involved minor.
- Any person injured in the collision with sufficient identification to show that he or she is the same person whose name appears as an injured person on the face sheet of the report.
- Any person who can present sufficient documents to show that civil litigation has been filed against him alleging liability resulting from a particular traffic collision.
- The representative of a company which may incur civil liability based on an allegation of breach of warranty. Such person must have sufficient identification that he or she is a representative of a company whose name appears on the face sheet of the collision report.
- Any attorney who presents appropriate personal identification, and who declares, under penalty or perjury, that he or she represents a party to the collision.
- An investigator for an attorney who has either:
 - Written authorization from the attorney showing the name of his client to be a name for appearing on the face sheet of the collision report and authorizing the investigator to obtain the report, or
 - Written authorization from an involved party as defined in section 1 through 7, allowing the investigator to obtain a copy of the report.
- An investigator for an attorney who has declared under penalty of perjury that he or she represents a party to that particular collision report.
- Any investigator for an insurance company representing one of the involved parties, if such investigator can provide sufficient identification, the name of the involved insured party, and a policy or claim number.
- Any person presenting a court order directing that he or she receive a particular collision report.