

Frequently Asked Questions Accident Reports

- **The collision between two vehicles, pedestrian or a fixed object on or in conjunction with a public street or highway is referred to simply as an accident report.**
- **The collision between two vehicles or fixed object on a parking lot or private driveway etc. is referred to as a private property accident.**
- **An accident investigation and report is required by state law when the collision took place on public streets or highways and involves over \$1000.00 damage to a vehicle or personal injury is reported.**
- **Private Property accidents are not required by law and are not investigated. The department may respond under certain conditions and provide the drivers with an information exchange form. Officers will not respond to hit and run private property accidents that do not involve pedestrians.**
- **To obtain a copy of an accident report you will need accurate information. Most times officers have provided the drivers with an accident exchange form. The accident number and the other parties information is on this form. You will need:**
 1. The accident number from the exchange form or
 2. The full name of one of the drivers or
 3. The date the accident occurred or
 4. The date the accident was reported or
 5. The more information and the more accurate the information is easier the process is.
 6. Accident reports are available on-line 24 hours a day. You can access them by clicking the "Accident Report" icon at the top of the page. Please allow 5 to 7 days before the report is available.
- **If you have been involved in an accident and found out the other parties insurance had been canceled you can file a criminal incident report for 27-22-104. Insurance required -- Minimum coverage and you may seek warrants against them. Doing this will not cover your damages or injuries. For that you should contact your insurance company or a private attorney.**
- **You will need to provide a written statement including the any additional witness information unless they provided separate statements. These statements will not be taken over the phone. They can be mailed, e-mailed to terilooney@blythevillepd.org or hand delivered at anytime.**