# **Collision investigation**

Why doing it immediately is vital to managing your road risk

> Jim O'Hare **Collision Investigator**

















### Jim O'Hare

- Independent Collision Investigator since 2012
- Involved in policing for 31 years
- Traffic Department (16 years)
- Attended 1000's of collisions

















#### **CRASH Services**

- Accident management & Breakdown recovery
- Locally owned since 1996
- 75,000+ motorists assisted
- 24/7 coverage
- One stop shop



















#### **Collisions in Northern Ireland**

- 1 million registered vehicles
- Est 8% involved in collisions
- 80,000 vehicles

- 2014 PSNI Figures
- 79 fatalities (57 in 2013)
- 710 people seriously injured
- 8,599 people slightly injured

Source PSNI 2014 Key Statistics Report covering the reporting period 1st January 2014 – 31st December 2014. Published 27th March 2015



















### **PSNI Collision Investigations**

- **Attend** 
  - injuries or risk to traffic on the road
  - complete a Collision Report Form (CRF)
- Non Attendance
  - -provide reference number
  - -save the public purse

Gap in collision investigation

















### Fleet Drivers involved in Collisions























### **No Collision Investigation Process**

- Not immediate
- Inaccurate information
- Road layout change
- Road works
- Witnesses not contactable

















### **CRASH Investigation Process**

- Driver interview
- Scene visit
- Photographic evidence
- Measurements
- Vehicle damage
- Witness statement
- Other evidential info (CCTV, Dash cams)
- Report within 48 hours



















#### **Benefits**

- Immediate attendance
- Comprehensive report
- Check licence details (penalty points)
- Fraud prevention
- Protect your driver

















### How can drivers help

- Stay at the Scene
- Injuries/ road blocked call PSNI on 999
- Exchange accurate details
- Record witness details
- Take photos



Carry a collision report form















## **Summary**

- Immediate
- Independent
- Professional
- Accurate
- Protection















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