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HOW TO READ  
YOUR FLORIDA ACCIDENT REPORT

If you've been injured in a **car accident**, one of the most critical pieces of evidence for your claim will be the report prepared by the investigating police officer. Although the report itself, known as a Florida Traffic Crash Report, is not admissible in a civil trial, it still plays an important role. The insurance company will review the crash report when it evaluates your claim. If the investigating police officer is later called to testify at a deposition or trial – which may be years after the accident – he or she will likely present the information in the report.

That's why it's critical that you and your attorney understand the content of the report as well. As a free service to our users, **The Law Firm of Pajcic & Pajcic** has prepared this guide to reading and understanding your accident report.

If you have questions about your report or notice any inaccuracies or discrepancies, you need to discuss it with an experienced car accident lawyer. **Contact us** right away and bring a copy of your report to your **free consultation**. We'd be happy to take your call today at **888-972-5242**.

## EVENT SECTION

FLORIDA TRAFFIC CRASH REPORT									
LONG FORM		SHORT FORM		UPDATE					
MAIL TO: DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY & MOTOR VEHICLES TRAFFIC CRASH RECORDS, NEIL KIRKMAN BUILDING TALLAHASSEE, FL 32399-0537									
CRASH DATE		TIME OF CRASH		DATE OF REPORT		REPORTING AGENCY CASE NUMBER		HSMV CRASH REPORT NUMBER	
CRASH IDENTIFIERS									
COUNTY CODE	CITY CODE	COUNTY OF CRASH	PLACE OR CITY OF CRASH	CHECK IF WITHIN CITY LIMITS	TIME REPORTED	TIME DISPATCHED			
TIME ON SCENE						NAME CLERKED	CHECK IF COMPLETED	REASON OF INVESTIGATION NOT COMPLETED	
ROADWAY INFORMATION (CHOOSE ONLY 1 OF 4 OPTIONS)									
CRASH OCCURRED ON STREET, ROAD, HIGHWAY				AT STREET ADDRESS #	AT LATITUDE	AND LONGITUDE			
FEET		MILES		M S E W		AT / FROM INTERSECTION WITH STREET, ROAD, HIGHWAY		OR FROM MILEPOST #	
Road System Identifier		Type of Shoulder		Type of Intersection		Type of Intersection		Type of Intersection	
1 Non-Intersecting		1 Forest Road		1 Not at Intersection		1 Traffic Circle		1 Traffic Circle	
2 County		2 Phone Roadway		2 At Intersection		2 Four-Way Intersection		2 Four-Way Intersection	
3 Local		3 Parking Lot		3 Intersection		3 T-Intersection		3 T-Intersection	
4 Turnoff/Toll		4 Other, Explain in Narrative		4 Y-Intersection		4 Y-Intersection		4 Y-Intersection	
CRASH INFORMATION (CHECK IF PICTURED TAKEN)									
Light Condition		Weather Condition		Roadway Surface Condition		School Bus Related		Manner of Collision/Impact	
1 Daylight		1 Clear		1 Dry		1 No		1 Side/Side, Same Direction	
2 Dusk/Not Lighted		2 Fog, Snow, Smoke		2 Wet		1 Yes, School Bus		2 Side/Side, Opposite Direction	
3 Dark/Unknown		3 Rain		3 Other		1 Indirectly Involved		3 Rear to Side	
4 Dawn/Light		4 Clear		4 Dry		1 Yes		4 Front to Rear	
5 Dawn/Light		5 Clear		5 Dry		1 No		5 Front to Front	
6 Unknown		6 Other, Explain in Narrative		6 Other, Explain in Narrative		1 No		6 Other, Explain in Narrative	
First Harmful Event									
1 Non-Collision		1 Collision with Fixed Object		1 Collision with Fixed Object		1 Collision with Fixed Object		1 Collision with Fixed Object	
2 Overturn/Rollover		3 Pedestrian		4 Impact Attraction/Crash		5 Concrete Traffic Barrier		6 Location	
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Checkbox at top indicates long form or short form report. The long form should be used for any crash causing injury or death.

Date, time and location of the crash, plus the time the investigating officer arrived.

Crash information section lists contributing factors to the crash – critical information especially if fault for the accident is disputed.

Contact information for witnesses is included here.

Any non-vehicle property damage, such as a building or guardrail, is listed here.

## VEHICLE SECTION

VEHICLE #		Check if Commercial		REPORTING AGENCY CASE NUMBER		HSMV CRASH REPORT NUMBER	
VEHICLE LICENSE NUMBER		STATE		REGISTRATION EXPIRES		VEHICLE TYPE	
1 Non-Motorist		1 Non-Motorist		1 Non-Motorist		1 Non-Motorist	
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