

SAN DIEGO POLICE DEPARTMENT ORDER

DATE/TIME: JANUARY 21, 2025 1815 HOURS
NUMBER: OR 25-02
SUBJECT: ONLINE REPORTING OF HIT AND RUN COLLISIONS
SCOPE: ALL MEMBERS OF THE DEPARTMENT

DEPARTMENT PROCEDURE AFFECTED: 7.02

Portions of this document are deemed by the San Diego Police Department to be exempt from public disclosure because the public interest served by not disclosing the information clearly outweighs the public interest served by disclosure, pursuant to California Government Code section 7922.000.

This Department Order supersedes Department Order OR 22-17R

In April 2022, the San Diego Police Department added online reporting for Hit and Run collisions to the SDPD public website. **These reports are for incidents where there are no injuries, no suspect information, no leads, and the report is only needed for insurance purposes.** Any collision involving injuries, suspect information or leads should have a collision report completed by an officer in the field or at a front counter.

The San Diego Police Department Hit and Run Unit (HRU) currently examines and disposes of approximately 8,000 to 10,000 hit-and-run reports a year. Roughly sixty percent of these reports are handled as No Required Contact (NRC). Our investigators send out form letters to the reporting party indicating no follow-up will be conducted and their case will be handled civilly through their insurance company. These cases have no reported injuries, no suspect information, and no leads. Generally, the reporting parties desire an insurance claim and are instructed by their insurance company to obtain a case number through the police department.

Nexis/Lexis Coplogic Solutions has activated online reporting through their system. **After a report is filed on the public website, the report will go to the area station where the collision occurred. The area station Detective Sergeant will review the case and close it out with a Case Status of Department Closure upon finishing the review. Records Division or the Hit and Run Unit will not be responsible for closing online Hit and Run Collision reports.**

If you have any questions, please contact Traffic Investigations (**Redacted – record exempt**)

Please read at squad conferences and give a copy to all personnel.