

## RIDER DOWN REPORT

USN Rider fatalities for FY 21:....5 (31 Jan 2021)

USMC Rider Fatalities for FY 21:....3 (31 Jan 2021)

USN/USMC Fatalities this report: 2/2

Total Motorcycle mishaps this report: 14

This report is a monthly update of the motorcycle mishaps that have occurred throughout the US Navy and Marine Corps. The data listed in the header reflects what was reported for the time period this report covers.

Recommendation: MSRs use this information during motorcycle training and Mentorship programs and forward to other personnel who may have an interest (with the exception contained in the notice below).

**Note: The new Risk Management Information (RMI) system is now active. Commands can no longer submit mishap reports in WESS. Go to <https://afsas.safety.af.mil> to sign up for an account.**

**The information contained in this report is based on preliminary information and is provided for hazard awareness and training purposes only. Official mishap data should be obtained from the Naval Safety Center.**

### The Naval Safety Center received the following reports for January 2021

Every day in the United States, there seems to be a motorcycle crash story where someone was killed or injured driving. Traffic reports dole out crash locations every day on your morning or evening commute alerting you to avoid the area. Yet, most of us seem to be oblivious to the fact or accept this as a regular everyday occurrence and pay no mind that it could be them one day.

Motorcycle crashes continue to plague our DON Service Members, even with less traffic on the roadways due to the more people working from home during the COVID pandemic.

When you read the brief narratives in this report, you need to discuss with your riders how some of these operators failed to make a sound decision regarding their behavior and may not have been equipped with the skillset and training to avoid the crash.

ECH II Commands must ensure each command that has motorcycle riders identified and has a designated command MSR. Also, ensure the command MSR has a communication line with the COC safety officers to assist when reporting a mishap in RMI. Our NAVSAFECEN RMI QC team sees too many reports come in with either missing information or mishaps incorrectly classified. These reports are vital of our motor vehicle analysis.

Make every effort to review the NAVSAFECEN RMI page for valuable information on RMI.

<https://navalsafetycenter.navy.mil/Resources/RMI/>

Riders need to look out for one another – if you see a fellow rider doing something that could make them end up appearing on one of these reports, say something.

r/ Michael Borkowski

## **Fatal Mishaps**

22 Jan 2021/1900L - 26-year-old, E-4 Location: Waialua, HI  
Yr./Make/Model: 2007 Suzuki GSXR (Sport)  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: Level I (Nov 2020) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: Rider was NB on Kaukonahua Rd when rider lost control of the motorcycle and was struck by a vehicle traveling in the opposite direction. Rider transported to local hospital and died from injuries received.

16 Jan 2021/1602L - 20-year-old, E-3 Location: Oceanside, CA  
Yr./Make/Model: (Non-Sport)  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: Rider traveled NB on I-15 at a high rate of speed, fleeing from the police. Rider lost control, went across the median into the SB lanes, and then struck a fence post. Rider pronounced deceased on scene.

10 Jan 2021/1600L - 25-year-old, E-4 Location: Norfolk, VA  
Yr./Make/Model: NR  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: Rider was WB on I-64 and rear-ended a vehicle that was changing lanes. No further information.

07 Jan 2021/1315L - 00-year-old, E-3 Location: La Jolla, CA  
Yr./Make/Model: (Non-Sport)  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: Rider lost control of motorcycle and collided with an oncoming vehicle. Rider pronounced deceased on scene.

## **Non-Fatal Mishaps:**

31 Jan 2021/1130L - 47-year-old, CWO Location: Lakeside, CA  
Yr./Make/Model: Gas Dirt Bike (Non-Sport)  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: Rider was riding at an off-site dirt track and lost control of the motorcycle. Rider treated and released at a local hospital for road rash.

28 Jan 2021/2200L - 24-year-old, E-5 Location: National City, CA  
Yr./Make/Model: NR (Non-Sport)  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: Rider was merging onto I-805 ramp when they collided with another motorcycle. The rider was transported to a local hospital and treated for a fractured right leg.

14 Jan 2021/1240L – 41-year-old, E-8 Location: Belle Chasse, LA  
Yr./Make/Model: NR (Sport)  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: Level I (Jul 2016) / Level II (Jan 2018)

Remarks: A dog ran out into the path of the rider and struck. Rider laid motorcycle down, was transported to a local hospital and treated for minor injuries and released.

12 Jan 2021/1115L – 28-year-old, E-5 Location: Bahrain  
Yr./Make/Model: 0000 Honda CBR (Sport)  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: Level I (Sept 2013) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: Rider was traveling from home to work and was involved in a motorcycle crash. Rider transported to local hospital and treated for minor injuries.

11 Jan 2021/1545L – 32-year-old, E-6 Location: San Diego, CA  
Yr./Make/Model: NR (Non-Sport)  
License: YES  
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: Rider hit a pothole in the road and lost control of the motorcycle. Rider treated for injuries to the left arm and road rash then released.

09 Jan 2021/1053L – 30-year-old, E-6 Location: San Diego, CA  
Yr./Make/Model: 0000 Honda CBR 1000 (Sport)  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: Level I (Apr 2014) / Level II (Jul 2018)

Remarks: Rider was traveling on Olympic Hwy. when rider hit a manhole cover, lost control, and crashed the motorcycle. The rider was transported to a local hospital and admitted overnight for observation.

09 Jan 2021/0830L – 23-year-old, E-5 Location: Spring Valley, CA  
Yr./Make/Model: 0000 Honda CBR1000 (Sport)  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: Level I (Jul 2019) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: Rider encountered oil in the roadway, lost control, and crashed motorcycle. Rider transported to the local naval hospital and treated for a broken thumb.

08 Jan 2021/1053L – 32-year-old, E-7 Location: San Diego, CA  
Yr./Make/Model: 2007 Harley Davidson Sportster (Non-Sport)  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: Level I (Nov 2020) / Level II (XX)

Remarks: Rider was entering I-15, encountered loose dirt, and lost control of motorcycle. Rider transported to the local naval hospital, treated for minor scrapes and a contusion to the right knee.

08 Jan 2021/1520L – 29-year-old, E-6 Location: Corona, CA  
Yr./Make/Model: NR (Non-Sport)  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: Rider was involved in a motorcycle crash- no further information. Rider was treated for injuries to rider's torso and leg.

06 Jan 2021/1745L - 25-year-old, E-4 Location: Hampton, VA  
Yr./Make/Model: 0000 Husqvarna 701 (Non Sport)  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: Level I (Jun 2020) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: Another vehicle clipped the rider's front tire; rider lost control and hit a third vehicle. Rider transported to the local hospital and treated for a broken nose, chipped tooth, and released.