

## RIDER DOWN REPORT

USN Rider fatalities for FY 21:.....3  
USN/USMC Fatalities this report: 0/1

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Total Motorcycle mishaps this report: 19

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 November 2020

Winter is coming, or in some cases, it has arrived, which means for fair weather motorcycle riders, the days to get that last ride in may have ended. For die-hard enthusiasts who just love riding at high speed in the blistery winter cold or those who live where the weather is pleasant year-round, we are continuing to see motorcycle crashes. Unfortunately, I hate to report that we are up by 26% in total crashes from last month. Don't lose heart the good news is, based on current reports received; we are down by 34% over this time (OCT – NOV) last FY.

What is 100% not acceptable is alcohol involvement with two of these motorcycle crashes. Let us be clear, alcohol and riding a motorcycle DO NOT go together. Winter riding presents many additional challenges, and adding alcohol to the equation does not make for safe riding. Remember to remind your riders; it is important to keep alert of surroundings and placement with other vehicles; most of the crashes in this report occurred either when a vehicle did not see the motorcyclist or while changing lanes.

If you did not see the Lessons Learned Report called "Why Don't We See Motorcycles," (18-18) go to the Naval Safety Centers web page to review why some of these crashes with other drivers are occurring and some "Best Practices" for motorcycle riders.

Stay Safe out on the road and enjoy the Holiday season.

r/Michael Borkowski

### **Fatal Mishaps**

22 Nov 2020/1430 - 23-year-old, E-4 Location: Bonsall, CA

Yr./Make/Model: Kawasaki

PPE: YES

License: YES

Training:

Remarks: The rider was about 45 feet off the motorcycle along CA HWY 76 after being involved in a crash. CHP reported alcohol was a factor in this crash. SVM pronounced deceased on the scene.

## Non-Fatal Mishaps:

29 Nov 2020/1715L - 25-year-old, E-5 Location: Riverside, CA  
Yr./Make/Model: 0000 Harley Davidson Sportster (Non-Sport)  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: Level I (Mar 2020) / Level II (Sept 2020)

Remarks: The rider experienced a flat tire on the motorcycle, while trying to pull over to the side of the road, lost control, and crashed. SVM was treated at the local hospital for right shoulder injuries and released.

26 Nov 2020/1420L - 57-year-old, E-9 (*Reservist Not on Active Duty*) Location: Orlando, FL  
Yr./Make/Model: 0000 Suzuki GSX 650 (Sport)  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: Level I (Oct 2020) / Level II (None)

Remarks: The rider was cut off by a vehicle and moved onto the shoulder of the road where they lost control and crashed. SVM transported to Orlando Regional Medical and admitted for injuries to shoulder and legs.

25 Nov 2020/0001L - 33-year-old, E-6 Location: San Diego, CA  
Yr./Make/Model: 2015 Harley Davidson Road Glide (Non-Sport)  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: The rider was involved in a crash at an intersection with another vehicle. SVM transported to the local hospital, treated for minor injuries, and released.

21 Nov 2020/0000 - 00-year-old, xx Location: Rota, Spain  
Yr./Make/Model: Moped  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: LVL I (NR) / LVL II (NR)

Remarks: The rider was negotiating a round-a-bout, lost control, and crashed.

20 Nov 2020/2230 - 22-year-old, E-3 Location: San Diego, CA  
Yr./Make/Model:  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: LVL I (NR) / LVL II (NR)

Remarks: The rider was NB on Camino Ruiz Rd when struck by an SUV. SVM transported to Scripps Memorial Hospital and admitted with multiple injuries including fractures, broken ribs, and a collapsed lung.

18 Nov 2020/0000 - 00-year-old, XX Location: Jacksonville, FL

Yr./Make/Model:

PPE: YES

License: YES

Training: LVL I (NR) / LVL II (NR)

Remarks: The rider was WB on Atlantic Ave in the far left lane when a vehicle from the center lane moved over on the rider, and the rider struck the vehicle.

17 Nov 2020/0000L - 00-year-old, XX Location: Dry Dock Hwy Bahrain

Yr./Make/Model:

PPE: YES

License: YES

Training: LVL I (NR) / LVL II (NR)

Remarks: The rider was SB on Dry Dock Hwy and changed lanes when another vehicle in front of the rider stopped on the highway and the rider ran into the rear of the vehicle. SVM transported to base medical and treated for a broken wrist.

15 Nov 2020/0030L - 26-year-old, E-6 Location: National City, CA

Yr./Make/Model: 2015 BMW FS650 (Non-Sport)

PPE: YES

License: YES

Training: Level I (Nov 2016) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: The rider lost control of the motorcycle and was involved in a crash. Rider transported and admitted to the local hospital for multiple left leg fractures.

15 Nov 2020/1640L - 23-year-old, O-1 Location: Milton, FL

Yr./Make/Model: 2009 Kawasaki ER 6N 650 (Sport)

PPE: YES

License: YES

Training: Level I (May 2017) / Level II (Nov 2019)

Remarks: While negotiating a turn, the rider lost control, locked the brakes, and slid into a ditch. Rider transported to the local hospital and treated for minor injuries.

14 Nov 2020/0000 - 00-year-old, XX Location: **RMI #900572**

Yr./Make/Model:

PPE: YES

License: YES

Training: LVL I (NR) / LVL II (NR)

Remarks: The rider left the roadway, crashed, and suffered a broken collarbone.

14 Nov 2020/2100L - 25-year-old, E-5 Location: San Diego, CA  
Yr./Make/Model: 2018 Harley Davidson Street Bob (Non-Sport)  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: Level I (May 2018) / Level II (Aug 2020)

Remarks: The rider was involved in a crash with another vehicle and sustained severe injuries. Rider transported to the hospital where the left leg was amputated due to the severity of injury.

10 Nov 2020/1845L - 24-year-old, E-3 Location: MCB Camp Pendleton, CA  
Yr./Make/Model: 2019 Harley Davidson Street Glide (Non-Sport)  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: Level I (Nov 2016) / Level II (Jun 2018)

Remarks: The rider operating a motorcycle while under the influence of alcohol lost control and crashed, sustaining no injuries. The rider was charged with DUI.

09 Nov 2020/0000 - 00-year-old, XX Location: **RMI #801462**  
Yr./Make/Model:  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: LVL I (NR) / LVL II (NR)

Remarks: The rider was involved in a motorcycle crash. No additional information at this time.

09 Nov 2020/0000L - 00-year-old, XX Location: Kingberry Hwy, CA  
Yr./Make/Model:  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: LVL I (NR) / LVL II (NR)

Remarks: The rider was changing lanes and was cut off by another vehicle. The rider lost control, veered off the road, and struck a wall head on. No additional information at this time.

08 Nov 2020/0000 - 00-year-old, XX Location: **RMI # 993897**  
Yr./Make/Model:  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: LVL I (NR) / LVL II (NR)

Remarks: The rider was involved in a crash and received multiple injuries. No additional information at this time.

05 Nov 2020/0000 - 00-year-old, XX Location: Jacksonville, FL **RMI #194247**  
Yr./Make/Model:  
PPE: YES  
License: YES

Training: LVL I (NR) / LVL II (NR)

Remarks: The rider lost control, was ejected, and sustained multiple injuries. No additional information at this time.

05 Nov 2020/0522 - 35-year-old, E-6 Location: San Diego, CA  
Yr./Make/Model: 0000 Harley Davidson Softail (Non-Sport)  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: LVL I (Jan 2011) / LVL II (Jun 2016)

Remarks: SVM was NB on the I-15 when struck from behind. SVM was transported to the local hospital and treated for minor injuries.

02 Nov 2020/0000 - 00-year-old, XX Location: **RMI #720048**  
Yr./Make/Model:  
PPE: YES  
License: YES  
Training: LVL I (NR) / LVL II (NR)

Remarks: The rider's back tire struck the median, and the rider lost control. SVM transported to the local hospital and treated for multiple fractured vertebrae.