

RIDER DOWN REPORT

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

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Total Motorcycle mishaps this report: 15

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 October 2020

As we start the new FY, motorcycle training is still on hold. During this time, it is a perfect opportunity to review your current rider's statuses and ensure that training documentation is correct. Ensure riders that have no training understand that they are not to ride at all, period.

This month's report shows that in FY-20, the DON lost 18 service members in fatal motorcycle crashes. The leading cause listed in most narratives is the rider "loss control," and either struck a fixed object or was involved in a collision with another motor vehicle.

We know in some mishaps that the other driver may not have seen the rider. Visibility is critical on the road; riders are responsible for going the posted speed limits, use turn signals to communicate with other drivers, and lane split only in states that this practice is allowed while in slow traffic.

As the Command MSR, it can be challenging to ensure that all riders complete the required training and are appropriately licensed. Continue to stress the importance to the chain of command in having a command supported motorcycle mentorship program. Share good motorcycle practices.

We all need to hear your success stories! Please consider sharing your successes with us, such as a notable reduction in mishaps because of training, mentorship, or reviewing the report's mishaps. Make your local program more diverse by reaching out and collaborate with local motorcycle safety campaigns in your area.

Together we can drive down the number of motorcycle crashes and make for more rides that are enjoyable.

r/Michael Borkowski

Fatal Mishaps

30 Oct 2020/1314L - 24-year-old, E-5 Location: Charleston, SC
Yr./Make/Model: NR
PPE: YES
License: YES
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: Rider was traveling with spouse (passenger) when a crash happened in the opposing lane. The collision forced one of the vehicles over into the riders' lane, and that vehicle struck the rider. Rider and spouse were transported to a local hospital. Rider's spouse deceased on scene. Rider deceased at the hospital several days later.

03 Oct 2020/1300L - 24-year-old, E-6 Location: San Diego, CA
Yr./Make/Model: Sport
PPE: YES
License: YES
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: The rider exited the ramp from CA SR 163 to I-8 lost control and struck a pole. Rider pronounced deceased on scene

03 Oct 2020/0015L - 22-year-old, E-5 Location: Virginia Beach, VA
Yr./Make/Model: 2017 Yamaha FZ-07 (Sport)
PPE: YES
License: YES
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: The rider was traveling on I-264 when struck by a DUI driver. Rider pronounced deceased on the scene.

Non-Fatal Mishaps:

31 Oct 2020/0001L - 33-year-old, E-6 Location: Virginia Beach, VA
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 hit and run crash. Rider received no injuries.

21 Oct 2020/0700L - 32-year-old, E-6 Location: Temecula, CA
Yr./Make/Model: (Non-Sport)
PPE: YES
License: YES
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: Rider was traveling SB on I-15 and lost control on the off-ramp. Rider sustained collarbone injuries.

20 Oct 2020/1830L - 33-year-old, E-4 Location: Escondido, CA
Yr./Make/Model: (Non-Sport)
PPE: YES
License: YES
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: The rider lost control on the road; treated for a broken left hand and road rash.

17 Oct 2020/1300L - 25-year-old, O-1 Location: Barksdale, TX
Yr./Make/Model: NR
PPE: YES
License: YES
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: Rider lost control of motorcycle on some loose gravel in a turn and crashed, No further information.

14 Oct 2020/1645L - 22-year-old, E-4 Location: San Diego, CA
Yr./Make/Model: 0000 Harley Davidson Wide Glide (Non-Sport)
PPE: YES
License: YES
Training: Level I (Aug 2019) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: Rider merged onto the I-5 and was cut off by another vehicle. The rider veered to the shoulder, lost control, and crashed. Rider was transported to a local hospital and treated for minor abrasions to the left arm.

13 Oct 2020/1930L - 36-year-old, E-6 Location: San Diego, CA
Yr./Make/Model: 2005 Harley Davidson Softail (Non-Sport)
PPE: YES
License: YES
Training: Level I (Dec 2019) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: The rider was traveling with another motorcyclist who cut the rider off. Rider then lost control of the motorcycle and ejected over the handlebars. Rider transported to a local hospital and treated for minor injuries.

11 Oct 2020/0100L - 27-year-old, E-6 Location: San Diego, CA
Yr./Make/Model: 2014 Harley Davidson (Non-Sport)
PPE: YES
License: YES
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: The rider was involved in a motorcycle crash, and admitted to the local hospital for injuries to both knees and a fractured arm.

11 Oct 2020/2000L - 24-year-old, E-5 Location: San Diego, CA
Yr./Make/Model: NR
PPE: YES
License: YES
Training: Level I (None) / Level II (None)

Remarks: The rider was standing next to the motorcycle, moving it from the driveway into the garage, and inadvertently engaged the throttle. The rider fell and was dragged 10 ft. along the driveway; treated for knee injuries.

08 Oct 2020/1500L - 32-year-old, E-5 Location: Charlottesville, VA
Yr./Make/Model: (Non-Sport)
PPE: YES
License: YES
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (April 2020)

Remarks: The rider lost control of the motorcycle and crashed. The rider was admitted to the local hospital for injuries.

07 Oct 2020/1530L - 22-year-old, E-4 Location: Norfolk, VA
Yr./Make/Model: 0000 Harley Davidson Road Glide (Non-Sport)
PPE: YES
License: YES
Training: Level I (May 2019) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: The rider was involved in a motorcycle crash with another vehicle and was treated at local hospital for minor injuries.

04 Oct 2020/1900L - 23-year-old, E-3 Location: Arlington Heights, IL
Yr./Make/Model: NR
PPE: YES
License: YES
Training: Level I (May 2017) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: The rider was in the left lane when another vehicle from the center lane moved over into rider's lane. The rider lost control, struck the curb, and slide 20 feet. Rider transported to a local hospital for injuries was treated and released.

01 Oct 2020/1830L - 37-year-old, E-6 Location: Waco, TX
Yr./Make/Model: (Sport)
PPE: YES
License: YES
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (Oct 2017)

Remarks: The rider was in the right lane when a vehicle from the left lane moved over on the rider. Rider laid down the motorcycle to avoid contact and sustained minor injuries.