



This report is a monthly update of motorcycle mishaps that occurred throughout the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps. The data listed reflects what was reported during the time period covered.



The information contained in the report is based on preliminary information and is provided for hazard awareness and training purposes only. The Naval Safety Command recommends motorcycle safety representatives use this information for training and mentorship programs and forward to others who may have an interest.



Official mishap data should be obtained from the Naval Safety Command.

Navy Rider fatalities this report: 1 Rider fatalities for FY 22: 4	Total mishaps this report: 32 Total fatalities this report: 2	Marine Corps Rider fatalities this report: 1 Rider fatalities for FY 22: 5
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Spring has sprung: Take time for T-CLOCS

The temperature is rising, and flowers are starting to bloom, which can only mean one thing: Spring is here. Historically, we have seen an increase in motorcycle riders on the road this time of the year.

This month, we saw a rise in motorcycle mishaps, and sadly, we lost two service members. While reading the following mishap reports, you will find that most are a combination of factors. For example, one common factor could be speed and another could be distraction. Combine the two, and you have a mishap. Stay vigilant while riding and keep your head on a swivel. With the increase in traffic, your visibility on the road will become minimal.

Motorcycle safety representatives – please start preparing a preseason safety briefing for your riders. Supervision – please ensure your subordinates are current in the Enterprise Safety Application Management System. Also, be hands-on with your safety practices, and use the **T-CLOCS** inspection checklist to inspect each other’s motorcycles:

- T** - Tires and wheels
- C** - Controls

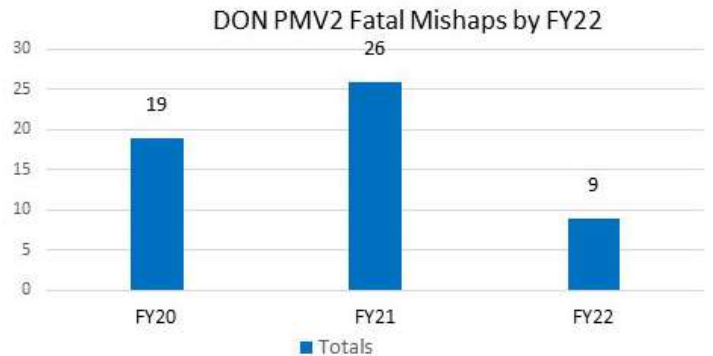


Figure 1. This graph depicts 54 reported motorcycle fatalities between fiscal year 2020-2022.

- L** - Lights and electrics
- O** - Oil and other fluids
- C** - Chassis
- S** - Stands

Commanders and supervision – thank you for getting the reports into RMI. Remember – you’re helping us get the safety message to the fleet.

Regards,
Malcolm Logan



Motorcycle Mishaps

March 2022



Motorcycle Mishap Legend

NR represents information not reported

Red entries signify Marine Corps-specific mishaps

Fatal Mishaps (All times local)

March 27, 8 p.m., 19-year-old E-4
 Location: North Charleston, -South Carolina
 Year, make and model: NR
 PPE: Yes
 License: Yes
 Training: Level I and II: NR
 Remarks: Rider was fatally injured after loss of control while attempting to pass PMV-4.

March 26; time, age and rank: NR
 Location: Carlsbad, California
 Year, make and model: NR
 PPE: Yes
 License: Yes
 Training: Level I and II: NR
 Remarks: Rider was involved in a motorcycle accident and airlifted to local hospital. Rider was pronounced deceased upon arrival.

Nonfatal Mishaps (All times local)

March 31, 5:33 p.m., 24-year-old E-3
 Location: San Diego, California
 Year, make and model: 2019 Harley-Davidson Sportster (sport)
 PPE: Yes
 License: Yes
 Training: Level I: Dec. 7, 2021; Level II: NR
 Remarks: Notification of rider in mishap. Rider was transported to local hospital and treated for multiple injuries.

March 30, 5:45 a.m., 31-year-old E-6
 Location: Bremerton, Washington
 Year, make and model: Harley-Davidson (nonsport)
 PPE: Yes
 License: Yes
 Training: Level I: NR; Level II: July 15, 2021
 Remarks: Rider laid down motorcycle after being cut off attempting to merge into traffic. Rider was transported to local hospital treated for minor injuries.

March 27, E-3
 Location: Tampa, Florida
 Year, make and model: NR
 PPE: NR
 License: NR
 Training: Level I and II: NR
 Remarks: Notification of rider in mishap. Rider was transported to a local hospital and treated for multiple injuries.

March 25, 3:30 p.m., 26-year-old, E-5
 Location: Murrieta, California
 Year, make and model: Harley-Davidson Dyna (nonsport)
 PPE: Yes
 License: Yes
 Training: Level I and II: NR
 Remarks: Rider laid down motorcycle swerving to avoid road hazard. Rider was transported to local hospital and treated for minor injuries.

March 21, 7:20 p.m., 27-year-old E-4
 Location: Chatan, Japan
 Year, make and model: NR
 PPE: NR
 License: NR
 Training: Level I and II: NR
 Remarks: Rider was struck by PMV-4 while merging. Rider was transported to local hospital and treated for fibula fracture, patella fracture and middle finger distal phalanx fracture.

March 20, 10:53 a.m.; age and rank: NR
 Location: Virginia Beach, Virginia
 Year, make and model: NR
 PPE: NR
 License: NR
 Training: Level I and II: NR
 Remarks: Rider struck from behind by another motorcyclist. Rider transported to local hospital and treated for neck, back and leg injuries.

March 20, 1 p.m., 24-year-old E-4
 Location: Norwich, Connecticut
 Year, make and model: BMW S 1000 (sport)
 PPE: NR
 License: NR
 Training: Level I and II: NR
 Remarks: Rider struck PMV-4 head on. Rider transported to a local hospital and treated for two subdermal

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hematomas, fractured pelvis bone, fractured arm, lacerated liver and internal bleeding to the bladder.

March 18, 1:30 a.m., 31-year-old E-6

Location: San Diego, California

Year, make and model: 2019 Harley-Davidson Road Glide (nonsport)

PPE: Yes

License: Yes

Training: Level I and II: NR

Remarks: Rider struck concrete curb on median and laid the bike down. Rider was transported to local hospital and treated for minor injuries.

March 17, 6:50 p.m., 44-year-old E-9

Location: San Diego, California

Year, make and model: Harley-Davidson (nonsport)

PPE: Yes

License: Yes

Training: Level I: March 13, 2009; Level II: June 22, 2019

Remarks: Rider was sideswiped by PMV-4, transported to local hospital and treated for dislocated right ankle, fractured left shin and laceration on left knee.

March 16, 6:30 p.m., 23-year-old E-5

Location: Norfolk, Virginia

Year, make and model: Harley-Davidson (nonsport)

PPE: NR

License: NR

Training: Level I: Oct. 26, 2017

Remarks: Notification of Rider in mishap. Rider transported to local hospital, treated for broken clavicle and road rash.

March 15, 10 p.m.; age and rank: NR

Location: Fort Worth, Texas

Year, make and model: NR

PPE: NR

License: NR

Training: Level I and II: NR

Remarks: Rider struck a pothole in the road, lost control of the motorcycle and crashed. Rider was transported to local hospital and treated for fractured nose.

March 13, 12 p.m., 29-year-old E-6

Location: Lakeside, California

Year, make and model: Dirt bike

PPE: Yes

License: Yes

Training: Level I and II: NR

Remarks: Rider was riding dirt bike at public venue and



Cmdr. Zathan Baker, executive officer for Naval Air Facility Atsugi, Japan, participates in a motorcycle traffic safety and accident prevention training event for Sailors and Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force sailors provided by the Yamato Police Department onboard NAF Atsugi April 7, 2022. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Rafael Avelar)

fell off the bike. Rider was transported to local hospital and treated for acromioclavicular joint separation.

March 11, 8:30 p.m. 20-year-old E-3

Location: Kapolei, Hawaii

Year, make and model: Yamaha Bolt (sport)

PPE: Yes

License: Yes

Training: Level I: August 2021

Remarks: Rider was riding in a group and hit guard rail while exiting the off-ramp. Rider transported to local hospital and treated for fractured hip and left ankle.

March 11, time and age: NR; E-5

Location: San Diego, California

Year, make and model: NR

PPE: Yes

License: Yes

Training: Level: NR

Remarks: Notification of Rider in mishap. Rider transported to local hospital and treated for strained right shoulder, lacerations on knee and right hand.

March 11, 5:20 p.m. 20-year-old E-2

Location: Chino Hills, California

Year, make and model: 2020 Harley-Davidson (nonsport)

PPE: Yes

License: Yes

Training: Level: NR

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Remarks: Rider was merging into traffic, cut off by a PMV-4 and crashed the bike. Rider transported to local hospital and treated for laceration on leg and foot.

March 9, 10 p.m., age: NR, E-3
Location: Greenville, North Carolina
Year, make and model: NR
PPE: NR
License: NR

Training: Level I and II: NR
Remarks: Rider lost control of motorcycle and crashed. Rider was transported to local hospital and treated for a fractured pelvis, punctured lung, lacerated kidney and hernia.

March 9, 9 p.m., 24-year-old E-5 and 21-year-old E-4
Location: San Diego, California
Year, make and model: 2012 CBR (1000RR) and 2022 Kawasaki ZX6R (sport)
PPE: Yes (both)
License: Yes (both)
Training: Level I (both)
Remarks: Riders impacted each other, both were transported to local hospital and treated for minor injuries.

March 8, 6:30 p.m., 21-year-old E-4
Location: Barstow, California
Year, make and model: NR
PPE: NR
License: NR
Training: Level I and II: NR
Remarks: Car pulled out in front of rider, who swerved to

avoid car and lost control of dirt bike. Rider transported to local hospital and treated for concussion.

March 8, 12:40 p.m., age: NR, E-3
Location: San Diego, California
Year, make and model: NR
PPE: NR
License: NR
Training: Level I and II: NR
Remarks: During the Advanced Rider Course, rider went to pop the clutch, launched forward, lost control and crashed. Rider transported to local hospital, treated and released.

March 7, 5:15 p.m. 23-year-old E-4
Location: Chesapeake, Virginia
Year, make and model: NR
PPE: Yes
License: Yes
Training: Level I and II: NR
Remarks: Rider collided with PMV-4, was transported to local hospital for serious injuries and is in stable condition.

March 7, 7 a.m., age and rank: NR
Location: Pensacola, Florida
Year, make and model: NR
PPE: NR
License: NR
Training: Level I and II: NR
Remarks: Rider was practicing tight turns when motorcycle skidded on loose gravel and fell on rider. Rider transported to local hospital for multiple injuries.

March 5, 2:15 a.m., 27-year-old E-5
Location: Jacksonville, North Carolina
Year, make and model: NR

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Members of the Motorcycle Mentorship Program (MMP) assemble during their monthly meeting April 26, 2021, on Marine Corps Base Quantico, Virginia. The purpose of the MMP is to establish voluntary installation-level motorcycle programs where less-experienced and seasoned riders can create a supportive environment of responsible motorcycle riding and enjoyment. (U.S. Marine Corps photo by Lance Cpl. Mitchell Johnson)

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PPE: NR

License: No

Training: Level I and II: NR

Remarks: Rider struck median and crashed. Rider transported to local hospital and placed on ventilator, bleeding on brain.

March 5; time, age and rank: NR

Location: Norfolk, Virginia

Year, make and model: NR

PPE: Yes

License: NR

Training: Level I and II: NR

Remarks: Rider collided with gate barrier and was transported to local hospital for minor laceration and sprained wrist.

March 5, 4 a.m. 30-year-old E-5

Location: Oceana, Virginia

Year, make and model: NR

PPE: Yes

License: NR

Training: Level I and II: NR

Remarks: Upon approaching entrance to military base, rider swerved into another lane, struck a beam and laid down the motorcycle. Rider transported to local hospital for minor injuries.

March 4, 9:15 p.m., 19-year-old E-2

Location: Jacksonville, North Carolina

Year, make and model: NR

PPE: NR

License: No

Training: Level I and II: NR

Remarks: Rider ran over gravel, lost control and laid down motorcycle. Rider transported to local hospital and treated for multiple injuries.

March 4; time, age and rank: NR

Location: NR

Year, make and model: NR

PPE: Yes

License: NR

Training: Level I and II: NR

Remarks: While driving scooter, rider struck object in road and crashed. Rider transported to local hospital for fractured collar bone.

March 2, 2 p.m., 24-year-old E-3

Location: Jacksonville, North Carolina

Year, make and model: NR

PPE: Yes

License: Yes

Training: Level I and II: NR

Remarks: Rider lost control of motorcycle after PMV-4 suddenly slammed on brakes. Rider was thrown over the handlebars and into the grass shoulder. Rider transported to local hospital, treated and released for minor injuries.

March 2, 1 a.m., age: NR, E-3

Location: Oceanside, California

Year, make and model: NR

PPE: Yes

License: Yes

Training: Level I and II: NR

Remarks: Rider lost control of motorcycle and crashed. Rider transported to local hospital and treated for serious injuries; left leg amputated.

March 2, 9 a.m., 21-year-old E-4

Location: San Diego, California

Year, make and model: NR

PPE: Yes

License: Yes

Training: Level I and II: NR

Remarks: Rider lost control of motorcycle after swerving to avoid PMV-4. Rider transported to local hospital and treated for fractured left leg.

March 1, 6:30 a.m., age and rank: NR

Location: Murrieta, California

Year, make and model: NR

PPE: Yes

License: Yes

Training: Level I and II: NR

Remarks: Rider struck the back of PMV-4 and crashed motorcycle. Rider transported to local hospital and treated for fractured collar bone.

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