

RIDER DOWN REPORT

USN Rider fatalities for FY 21:...11 (31 May 2021)

USMC Rider Fatalities for FY 21:....7 (31 May 2021)

USN/USMC Fatalities this report: 1/1

Total Motorcycle mishaps this report: 26

Legend: 00 = (Info not available) / NR = (Not reported) Red reports= (USMC) Blue reports = (Navy reports)

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.

As we kick off the 101 Critical Days of Summer, keep in mind we are at peak riding season, so let's be careful out there. Take a moment to review training records and any maintenance that your motorcycle may need before you hit the road. Especially check the tires and air pressure if your motorcycle has been laid up for the winter/spring season.

Also, review the following message traffic dealing with motorcycles.

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As more and more states start to relax, COVID restrictions anticipate more people getting out hitting the road. Driving a vehicle or riding a motorcycle is like any other skill set; if you let it perish, you need to refresh your skills. Vehicle operators need to keep their eyes on the lookout for the motorcyclist. The motorcyclists need to keep that head on a swivel and are fully aware of their surroundings.

Remember, we all share the road together.

r/Michael Borkowski

The Naval Safety Center received the following reports for May 2021

Fatal Mishaps:

29 May 2021/1435L - 00-year-old, E-4 Location: Campo, CA
Yr./Make/Model: NR (Sport)
PPE: NR
License: NR
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: The rider was involved in a single-vehicle motorcycle crash on I-8. Rider pronounced deceased on the scene- no further information.

21 May 2021/0000L - 00-year-old, E-6 Location: Williamstown, WV
Yr./Make/Model: NR (Sport)
PPE: YES
License: YES
Training: Level I (Aug 2011) / Level II (Aug 2017)

Remarks: The rider was involved in a crash on I-77-no further information.

17 May 2021/1319L - 24-year-old, E-5 Location: Levittown, PA
Yr./Make/Model: NR (Sport)
PPE: YES
License: YES
Training: Level I (Aug 2011) / Level II (Aug 2018)
Remarks: The rider lost control of the motorcycle and crashed.

Non-Fatal Mishaps:

31 May 2021/1522L - 20-year-old, E-3 Location: Norfolk, VA
Yr./Make/Model: 0000 Ducati (Sport)
PPE: Yes
License: No
Training: Level I (None) / Level II (None)

Remarks: Rider involved in a single-vehicle motorcycle crash- no further information.

30 May 2021/0000L - 27-year-old, E-4 Location: Delzura, CA
Yr./Make/Model: NR
PPE: NR
License: NR
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: Rider was involved in a motorcycle crash at the Delzura Mountain Range. The rider was airlifted to a local hospital and admitted for injuries to the left arm.

29 May 2021/1158L - 45-year-old, E-6 Location: Gig Harbor, WA
Yr./Make/Model: 2003 Harley Davidson Dyna (Non-Sport)
PPE: Yes
License: Yes
Training: Level I (Jul 2013) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: Rider was traveling in a group Memorial Day Ride on Hwy 16 when the procession stopped suddenly, causing the rider to lock the front brakes. Rider was ejected off the motorcycle over handlebars and was transported to a local hospital and treated for broken ribs and minor bruising.

28 May 2021/1700L - 32-year-old, E-5 Location: Lusby, MD
Yr./Make/Model: 0000 Harley Davidson Heritage (Non-Sport)
PPE: Yes
License: Yes
Training: Level I (Jan 2016) / Level II (Jul 2019)

Remarks: Rider lost control of the motorcycle after riding over a large puddle. Rider was ejected, lost consciousness, and was transported to a local hospital for a concussion and broken left hand.

28 May 2021/0030L - 26-year-old, E-5 Location: San Diego, CA
Yr./Make/Model: NR
PPE: No
License: No
Training: Level I (None) / Level II (None)

Remarks: Rider involved in a multi-vehicle crash, resulting in injuries to the rider. Rider transported to a local hospital for a broken left ankle and right shoulder.

26 May 2021/0045L - 26-year-old, E-5 Location: Lemoore, CA
Yr./Make/Model: NR (Non-Sport)
PPE: Yes
License: Yes
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (Mar 2021)

Remarks: Post 3 at Gatewood Rd reported hearing a motorcycle crash and investigated; they found the rider laying on their back and responsive. The rider was life-flight transported to a local hospital and evaluated for injuries.

23 May 2021/1200L - 00-year-old, E-3 Location: Fredericksburg, VA
Yr./Make/Model: 0000 (Sport)
PPE: NR
License: NR
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: Rider was on Route 1 when another vehicle cut the rider off onto the shoulder. The rider encountered a soft patch and laid the motorcycle down. Rider treated at a local hospital for a broken elbow and tibia and multiple cuts and bruises.

22 May 2021/0900L - 39-year-old, E-6 Location: Norfolk, VA
Yr./Make/Model: 2016 Victory Crossroads (Non-Sport)
PPE: Yes
License: Yes
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (Apr 2021)

Remarks: The rider lost control of the motorcycle in a turn on loose gravel and crashed. The rider received in-patient care for injuries.

16 May 2021/1930L - 33-year-old, E-7 Location: San Diego, CA
Yr./Make/Model: NR (Sport)
PPE: NO
License: YES
Training: NR

Remarks: The rider was test riding a friend's motorcycle in a residential area, lost control in a curve, struck a curb, and crashed. Rider transported to the local hospital and treated for a traumatic brain injury and two broken hands.

09 May 2021/1500L - 25-year-old, E-5 Location: Jacksonville, FL
Yr./Make/Model: 0000 Ducati 1199 (Sport)
PPE: Yes
License: Yes
Training: Level I (Oct 2020) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: The rider encountered a roadway obstruction on Atlantic Blvd and crashed. Rider was transported to the local hospital and treated for an orthopedic-related injury.

07 May 2021/1200L - 39-year-old, O-2 Location: Palomar Mountain, CA
Yr./Make/Model: 0000 Dirt Bike
PPE: NR
License: NR
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: Rider crashed dirt bike and was admitted to Palomar Hospital and treated for a broken arm.

05 May 2021/0530L - 00-year-old, E-8 Location: Cheverly, MD
Yr./Make/Model: 0000 (Sport)
PPE: NR
License: NR
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: While commuting to work, another vehicle merged into the rider's lane. The rider applied heavy braking and crashed into the guardrail. The rider was transported to the local hospital and admitted for several fractures to the left side of the body.

04 May 2021/1730L - 24-year-old, E-4 Location: San Diego, CA
Yr./Make/Model: 0000 Honda (Sport)
PPE: Yes
License: Yes
Training: Level I (Mar 2021) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: While the rider was merging onto the I-15, the rider struck another vehicle merging on the interstate from the I-5. Rider was admitted to UC San Diego Hospital for treatment.

03 May 2021/0900L - 23-year-old, E-5 Location: San Diego, CA
Yr./Make/Model: NR
PPE: NR
License: NR
Training: Level I (None) / Level II (None)

Remarks: Although this narrative does not involve a crash, it is a prime example of what not to do. SVM arrested by CHP for felony charges of evading police and Reckless Driving while on a motorcycle. The CO reported that no motorcycle information was available and that the rider did not have any motorcycle training recorded.

02 May 2021/1600L - 38-year-old, E-7 Location: Anza, CA
Yr./Make/Model: 2008 Suzuki RM 250 (Dirt Bike)
PPE: YES
License: YES
Training: Level I (Aug 2019) / Level II (Aug 2019)

Remarks: Rider was riding on a dirt track when a gust of wind caused the rider to lose control and strike the ground. Rider was transported to a local hospital and treated for a neck injury.

01 May 2021/1346L - 00-year-old, E-3 Location: Beaufort, NC
Yr./Make/Model: 0000 (Sport)
PPE: NR
License: NR
Training: Level I (NR) / Level II (NR)

Remarks: The rider lost control of the motorcycle and struck a tree. The rider was transported to the local hospital and treated for traumatic brain injury and broken bones.