“Under the Trooper’s Hat”
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Reports for traffic crashes which are “reportable” to the North Dakota Department of Transportation are available for purchase online. North Dakota Century Code 39-08-09 defines a reportable crash as a motor vehicle traffic crash which results in injury, fatality, or at least $4,000 in total property damage. Crashes involving undomesticated animals where there is no injury or fatality to a human, regardless of the property damage amount, are not reportable.

Customers will receive their report(s) immediately if the report is available for purchase. There is a $7 fee to locate and provide the crash report. You may not be able to locate a crash report if the following conditions apply:

- It has been less than 10 days since the crash occurred.
- The crash did not result in injury, fatality, or at least $4,000 property damage.
- The crash involved an undomesticated animal and there was no injury or fatality (regardless of property damage amount).

To obtain a copy of the State of North Dakota crash report, a person must be able to provide at least two of the following:

- Date of Crash
- Last Name
- County of Crash

If you don’t have this information, please contact the Law Enforcement Agency that investigated the crash to obtain these details.

Crash reports can be purchased at the following website:
www.dot.nd.gov/divisions/safety/crashreport

The website is compatible with the following browsers: Edge, Chrome, Firefox, Opera and Safari.

The mission of the North Dakota Highway Patrol is to make a difference every day by providing high-quality law enforcement services to keep North Dakota safe and secure. NDHP invites you to visit the FAQ section of the website: www.nd.gov/ndhp; like our Facebook page www.facebook.com/northdakotahighwaypatrol; or join us on Twitter @NDHighwayPatrol or Instagram, www.instagram.com/ndhighwaypatrol, to learn more about traffic safety, get tips, and read NDHP news.