

MICHIGAN STATE POLICE TRAFFIC CRASH REPORTING UNIT MARCH 2017



## **UD-10 Reporting Guidelines for Crashes Involving the M-1 Rail**

M-1 Rail Line to open Spring 2017 will traverse a 3.3 mile stretch along Woodward Avenue in downtown Detroit.

With the opening of the M-1 Rail line later this spring the following guidelines were developed to assist law enforcement with the UD-10 data collection for any crashes involving the M-1 Rail.

The M-1 Rail is considered a streetcar under MCL 257.63 which is defined as "a car other than a railroad train for transporting persons or property and operated upon rails principally within a municipality".

For traffic crash reporting purposes a streetcar will be considered a Train on the UD-10 for it's Unit Type. As

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with a traditional type train, only those crashes involving the streetcar and another motor vehicle will be reported on the UD-10. Therefore a collision between a streetcar and another non-motorized unit will not be considered a reportable UD-10 crash, but may be reported as a general incident as required by the investigating police agency. Non-motorized units can include pedestrians, bicycles, wheelchairs, horse drawn carriages, etc.

## **UD-10 Reporting**

As mentioned above, the streetcar will be considered a Train/Engineer type Unit on the UD -10 Traffic Crash Report. When reporting a crash involving a streetcar, certain considerations must be made with regards to several fields on the UD-10. The accurate reporting of these crashes is essential to traffic safety experts. Proper coding of the UD-10 assures the accurate dissemination of crash data to the agencies which require this information for crash analysis and statistical purposes. The back page of this flyer identifies all these fields and how to properly record the necessary information to assure consistent reporting of streetcar crashes. Further instructions and explanations can be located in the UD-10 Traffic Crash Report Instruction Manual (Rev 2016) located on the Michigan State Police website at www.michigan.gov/crash.

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- 1. Number of Units—Enter the total number of units involved in the crash. The traffic crash must involve at least one other motor vehicle in addition to the streetcar.
- 2. Crash Type—Must be Single Motor Vehicle, because the streetcar is not considered a Motor Vehicle.
- 3. Area—Select the general Area where the crash occurred.
- 4. Location—Woodward Avenue will be the Primary Street, with the Intersecting street to be determined by the officer.
- 5. Driver/Operator—A streetcar is not defined as a motor vehicle, so leave the Drivers License Number blank
- 6. Unit Type—Select Unit Type **E** (Train/Engineer).
- 7. Position—Enter **E** for the seating position of the streetcar driver/operator.
- 8. Sequence of Events for the Motor Vehicle—Under Collision with Non-Fixed Object select 19-Engineer (streetcar).
- 9. Vehicle Registration—Record any vehicle or car number located on the streetcar.
- 10. Vehicle Description—Record the vehicle information from the streetcar.
- 11. Vehicle Use—Select Vehicle Use 11-Other.
- 12. Vehicle Type—Select Vehicle Type **10-Other** .
- 13. Damaged Property—Record any other property that was damaged, e.g. street sign, rail track, etc.
- 14. Remarks/Narrative—Provide a narrative that explains how the crash occurred and also any remarks that might be significant to re-creating the events of the crash. A narrative is required for all crashes involving a fatality, while ensuring not to include any personal information.
- 15. Diagram—The diagram should provide a simple drawing of how the crash occurred. The diagram need not be to scale, but should provide a basic visual of the crash scene. As with the narrative, a diagram is required on all fatal crashes and should not include any personal information.



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