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Dear Law Enforcement Partner:

New Crash Report Required in 2013 – Available for use January 1, 2012

The Ohio Department of Public Safety (ODPS) has completed an updated version of the OH-1 form – Ohio’s statewide uniform crash report form. The new version of the form will bring Ohio into compliance with the current edition of Model Minimum Uniform Crash Criteria (MMUCC) standards – a program funded by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and managed jointly by NHTSA and the Governor’s Highway Safety Administration (GHSA). The new OH-1 contains additional data fields, an improved layout, and a new design that will ultimately ease the transition to electronic data capture for every Ohio law enforcement agency.

The new OH-1 will be available for use beginning January 1, 2012. At that time, agencies may begin submitting paper and electronic crash reports using the new OH-1 form. In order to be sure that all law enforcement agencies and officers have ample opportunity to receive training related to the new OH-1, as well as to update local reporting systems, crash report submissions using the old OH-1 form will be accepted through the end of 2012. During that time, agencies may utilize existing supplies of paper OH-1 forms if they wish; however, they are encouraged to transition to the new form as soon as possible. As of January 1, 2013, only the new OH-1 form will be accepted by ODPS; crashes submitted using the old form will be returned to agencies for correction and resubmission.

A sample (pdf) version of the new OH-1, a user instruction manual and crash data manual for IT developers are now available on the ODPS website:

http://ohiohighwaysafetyoffice.ohio.gov/otso_law_enforcement_info.stm

Beginning January 1, 2012, paper copies of the form and instruction manual may also be ordered using that link. A training video for officers is currently being developed and will be available at a later date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Thomas P. Charles".

Director Thomas P. Charles
Ohio Department of Public Safety

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“to save lives, reduce injuries and economic loss, to administer Ohio’s motor vehicle laws and to preserve the safety and well being of all citizens with the most cost-effective and service-oriented methods available.”

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