Police Report Error Checklist

New Jersey NJTR-1 crash reports: check each item against what really happened

- [ ] **1. Wrong vehicle number**

  Your car is listed as Vehicle 1 or Vehicle 2 the wrong way round, so your details, injuries or codes sit under the other driver's column.

  Notes: _____

- [ ] **2. Wrong direction of travel**

  The report or diagram shows you heading the wrong way or in the wrong lane, which can flip how an adjuster reads the crash.

  Notes: _____

- [ ] **3. "No injury" when an injury appeared later**

  Box 86 says 05 No Apparent Injury, but pain or symptoms started hours or days later. Your medical records, not the scene code, show the injury.

  Notes: _____

- [ ] **4. Missing witness**

  A witness who stopped and talked to the officer is not listed, or their contact details are wrong.

  Notes: _____

- [ ] **5. Wrong insurer**

  The three-digit insurance code in Box 25 or 55, or the policy number, does not match the driver's insurance card.

  Notes: _____

- [ ] **6. Wrong diagram**

  The sketch puts the point of impact, lane positions or traffic signals in the wrong place.

  Notes: _____

- [ ] **7. Wrong contributing circumstance**

  Box 118 or 119 blames you for something you did not do, or leaves out what the other driver did, such as 17 hand-held phone use.

  Notes: _____

Found a mistake?

Write to the police department that wrote the report with the case number, the box that is wrong, what it should say and your proof. Ask for a corrected or supplemental report, and keep a copy.

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