

GIO TMF Coverage Alert

Changes to vehicle crash reporting

Purpose

The aim of this Coverage Alert is to remind Agencies of NSW Police Force changes to vehicle crash reporting commencing from the 15 October, 2014.

Changes to tow-away only crashes

From 15 October 2014, to help reduce danger to road users and manage crashes more efficiently, you may no longer have to wait for police at a crash site in NSW.

Police will only need to attend if:

- ▶ anyone is trapped or injured,
- ▶ they are needed to direct traffic or deal with hazards,
- ▶ any drivers appear to be affected by alcohol or drugs,
- ▶ a bus or truck needs to be towed, or
- ▶ anyone involved has failed to exchange details.

Remember, if you are involved in a crash, keep safe and move away from traffic.

If police are not required to attend:

- ▶ Contact your Agency Fleet Manager, or a towing company of your choice to arrange for your vehicle to be towed (if required).
- ▶ If you cannot arrange a tow and exhaust all other options, call the Police Assistance Line on 131 444.
- ▶ Exchange details with drivers and/or owners involved and leave the crash site.

If any vehicles were towed as a result of the crash, after leaving the crash site you need to contact the Police Assistance Line on 131 444 to report the crash as soon as possible.

Actions Required

All Agencies are encouraged to review their existing strategies around reporting motor vehicle crashes.

Please contact the Risk Management Unit within your Agency, GIO Operational Risk Management, or your GIO Client Services Manager for further information.