



INCIDENT REPORTING



Did you know?

- Drivers face a fine up to £5,000, up to 10 penalty points on their licence, a potential driving ban and a prison sentence of up to six months for failing to stop or report a collision.
- Since 2018 most vehicles are fitted with an emergency call system, known as eCall. This is a built-in safety feature, automatically activated in the event of a collision when the airbags are deployed. When activated, eCall contacts a 999 operator and provides your vehicle's exact location directly to emergency services. It can also be manually activated by the driver or passenger by pressing a button - this button is known as eCall SOS.



It is an offence under the Road Traffic Act 1988 to fail to stop at the scene of a collision.

Drivers must report any work-related road collision, incident or near miss in which they are involved, or witness, and co-operate with their organisation's reporting and investigation procedures.

Drivers involved in a collision resulting in damage or injury, must provide the required information to anyone with 'reasonable grounds for requiring it'.

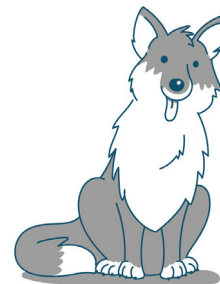
If details were not exchanged at the scene, the collision should be reported to the police within 24 hours.



Best practice tips:

Vehicle collisions involving the following animals must be reported to the police, whether the animal was killed or not:

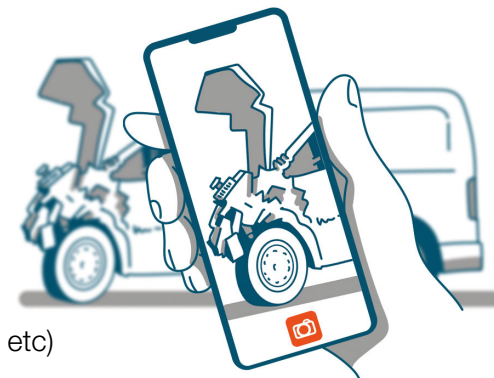
- dogs
- horses
- cows
- pigs



- sheep
- goats
- donkeys
- mules

Essential information for drivers to gather at the scene of a collision/incident:

- date, time, and exact location (with reference to a fixed point)
- registration number, model, colour, position, and direction of travel of all vehicles and other parties
- environmental conditions (visibility, road surface, condition, etc)
- a brief account of what happened
- photos of any damage to all vehicles involved
- other driver's name, address and contact details
- other party's insurance details
- damage to all vehicle(s) and/or property
- number of passengers in the vehicles
- injury to driver and/or passenger and other parties
- names and addresses of any witnesses
- any other relevant factors



Consider using a dashcam and other incident reporting tools and apps.