

COMPETITOR INFORMATION**Purpose**

To provide students the opportunity to demonstrate investigative, diagramming/sketching, photographing, and documenting a crash scene; in compliance with the Texas Department of Transportation's crash reporting requirements.

Description

The team will evaluate, diagram, photograph, and properly complete the CR-3 (Crash Report) for a mock crash scene. Students will interview all persons involved. Each team member will be responsible for specific duties. Teams must terminate their investigation and submit their CR-3 and photographs to the judge when advised time has expired.

Dress Code

Competitors shall wear a uniform a patrol officer would typically wear while on duty.

Teams allowed per school: 1

Number of Competitors per team: 3

Event Rules

- Competitors in this event must be active members of the Texas Public Service Association and in good standing with the Texas Public Service Association.
- Competitors must be familiar with and adhere to the Texas Public Service Association Bylaws and Code of Conduct.
- The scenario is a secret topic. Professional ethics demand that competitors DO NOT discuss or reveal the secret topic until after the event has concluded. Violation of the ethics rules will result in disqualification and revocation of Texas Public Service Association membership.
- The team will have thirty (30) minutes to gather information, interview any involved parties, complete the crash report and take photographs. Competitors not finished at the end of the thirty (30) minute time limit will receive a "DNF" (Did Not Finish).
- The judge may not answer questions after time has started.
- Competitors may not have pre-written questions or completed crash reports while competing in this event. Students may bring a blank notebook to record field notes. All field notes must be turned into the judge and attached to the score sheet.
- Competitors will use the 2018 Crash Report (CR-3) for this event. See the CR-3 on the TPSA website for fields that will not be applicable in this event. Only pages 1 and 2 will be needed and they may be printed 2-sided.
- Competitors may bring a printed copy of the 2018 Code Sheet (CR-3CS) however, a printed copy of the CR-100 (Instructions guide) may not be used during the event.
- All teams will be given the same scenario to investigate.
- The scene will have 2 - 3 role players, the role players cannot be judges.
- The judge will have the final decision on tie breakers based on overall team performances.
- The background of the judge shall be certified law enforcement.

Event Procedures

1. Team will report to their respective event when called for or at a set reporting time.
2. Team must check in with event management upon arrival and present photo identification for verification.
3. Team will be directed (by scene moderator) to the scenario location.
4. Instructions and scenario details will be given (by Judge) to the Team.
5. The scene moderator will set a timer for thirty (30) minutes.
6. When the scene moderator starts the timer and calls "start", each team member will have the following duties:
 - A. The Photographer: Scene photographs to include - A photograph that encompasses the entire crash scene, photographs for all sides of each vehicle and photograph damage to each vehicle. The photographer may take 13 photographs maximum to be shown to the judge.
 - B. The Diagrammer: Record proper measurements and properly sketch the scene noting direction on the CR-3. Due to the time limit for this event a separate second page of the CR-3 may be printed and used by the Diagrammer for the Field Diagram portion only.
 - C. The Documenter: Properly complete the necessary fields on the CR-3.
7. The scene moderator will give the team a Two (2) minute time remaining warning.
8. The scene moderator will call "time" when the 30 minute timer sounds. Competitors who have not completed the crash scene report & photographs when time is called will receive a "DNF". Teams who receive a "DNF" will place behind teams who complete the event in the allotted time period. Teams who receive a "DNF" shall not advance to state competition regardless of the amount of teams participating in the competition.
9. The team will show the judge their photographs and turn in the CR-3 along with any field notes once time has been called.

Competitors must provide

- Photo Identification
- Blue/ Black inkpen
- Blank writing tablet of any size for note taking
- Duty belt with simulated handgun, handcuffs, handcuff key
- Measuring and diagramming/sketching tools
- Digital camera with a display screen
- Printed 2018 CR-3 form
- Printed 2018 Texas Peace Officer's Crash Report - Code Sheet (CR-3CS)

Required Personnel

- **Event Manager:** Manages the competitors, makes sure the event is running on time, i.e. runs the event outside the "scene".
- **Scene Moderator:** Provides quality assurance for the event by ensuring that the guidelines are followed, all event documents are complete, and is the timekeeper if applicable. The room moderator operates inside the event room during the competition.
- **1 Judge:** Judges the competition. Must be a certified Law Enforcement Officer.
- **2-3 Actor(s):** Will simulate needed scenarios accurately portraying real life events.

Facilities, Equipment, and Materials

- Outdoor area large enough to accommodate a simulated crash scene.
- Two Vehicles for the purpose of setting up a crash scene
- Timer
- Rubric/Score Sheet
- Writing Utensil

Scoring

CRITERIA	LOWEST POINTS	HIGHEST POINTS
Scoring Category 1 - Entering Scene		
Officers properly identify the victims	0	1
Officers properly identify the witnesses	0	1
Officers ask victims if medical attention is needed	0	1
Scoring Category 2 - Gathering data		
Officers gather all pertinent information from people on scene	0	3
Officers gather all pertinent information from vehicles on scene	0	3
Officers properly match victims with each vehicle	0	3
Officers determine location of each victim in the vehicles	0	3
Officers determine if seat belts were worn by each victim in the vehicles	0	3
Scoring Category 3 - Photographs		
A photograph that encompasses the entire crash scene	0	1
Photographs for each side of vehicle #1: front, both sides, and back	0	4
Two photographs of the damage to vehicle #1: 1 a few feet away, and 1 close up	0	2
Photographs for each side of vehicle #2: front, both sides, and back	0	4
Two photographs of the damage to vehicle #2: 1 a few feet away, and 1 close up	0	2
Scoring Category 3 - Diagram/Sketch (located at back of CR-3)		
Measurements are properly taken and noted	0	1
All vehicles are placed in the sketch	0	1
Compass direction is noted on sketch	0	1
Scoring Category 4 - Crash Report (CR-3)		
All applicable information is properly transcribed onto the CR-3	0	3
All vehicle information is properly transcribed onto the CR-3	0	3



CRASH INVESTIGATION
Guidelines and Rubric

All persons are properly transcribed onto the CR--3	0	3
Factors & Conditions are noted	0	3
Investigator's narrative opinion of what happened matches scene	0	3
Proper charge(s)/citation(s) noted	0	3

All points are assumed to be scaled low to high, with high being the best unless specified by Yes/No or other scoring procedure.