



Training Bulletin

SANTA BARBARA POLICE DEPARTMENT



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Fleet Safety

This City assigned training is for all employees eligible to drive a city fleet vehicle.

Please follow the link below to the corresponding training which includes a short video and follow-up quiz.

The city has updated the platform on which they track trainings. So quizzes are automatically submitted to the City upon completion. Make sure to fill out your Information prior to submitting, in order to obtain credit.

For my own tracking purposes, please sign the posted rosters once you have completed the training. There will be a sign off roster in the WC's Office, Dispatch, and one outside the Narc/YSS Office, for employees in the Annex.

This training is due by Tuesday, August 31, 2021.

ALL EMPLOYEES ELIGIBLE TO DRIVE A CITY FLEET VEHICLE ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE FLEET SAFETY TRAINING.

During the month of August, the City focuses its IIPP safety training efforts on fleet safety.

In addition to having each employee complete the required fleet safety training module, Supervisors and Managers with supervisory duties should [verify employee driver's license information](#) and [replace the insurance notice](#) contained in the vehicle collision packets found in each City vehicle glove compartment.

FY21 Year-End Review

Annually, Risk Management requests that Supervisors and Managers with supervisory duties review with staff the [fiscal year-end vehicle collision data for their Department](#). If there is no tab along the bottom of the Excel spreadsheet for your Department, there are no collisions to review – congratulations! If there is a tab along the bottom for your Department, please review the details of each incident that occurred during FY21 and discuss ways that staff can avoid these types of collisions in the future.

Backing collisions continue to be the most common type of collision for City drivers. Backing collisions accounted for 42% of all collisions in FY21.

HERE IS SOME GREAT NEWS: The City experienced an 18% reduction in vehicle collisions in FY21 compared to FY20, with 57 total incidents, 41 of which were preventable (or roughly 72%). Parks & Recreation saw the most dramatic reduction in incidents (awesome job!), followed by Police and Public Works (well

done!), tied for second. Less than half of the vehicle collisions involving Police personnel were preventable, which is outstanding.

Vehicle collisions have been on a downward trend Citywide in the last three fiscal years. Although the reduction in FY21 may have been influenced by COVID-19 (due to staff working from home, less drivers on the road), we are on the right track! Let's keep this momentum going into FY22!

QUICK REMINDER FOR LARGE VEHICLE OPERATORS: It's always important to tuck vehicle mirrors when parked. It really does reduce the frequency of damage to City fleet vehicles.

Training Resources

The FY22 Risk Management fleet safety presentation is focused on safe backing. You may satisfy the annual training requirements for fleet safety by completing [the fleet safety training module found below](#).

Questions? Please call: (805) 564-5347.

Fleet Safety: Safe Backing (FY2022) REQUIRED FOR ALL ELIGIBLE DRIVERS

<https://forms.santabarbaraca.gov/f/fleetsafetysafebackingfy22>