

CHAPTER 484E - ACCIDENTS AND REPORTS OF ACCIDENTS

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**SECTION 484E.010 Duty to stop at scene of accident involving death or personal injury; penalty.**

1. The driver of any vehicle involved in an accident on a highway or on premises to which the public has access resulting in bodily injury to or the death of a person shall immediately stop his or her vehicle at the scene of the accident or as close thereto as possible, and shall forthwith return to and in every event shall remain at the scene of the accident until the driver has fulfilled the requirements of SECTION 484E.030.

2. Every such stop must be made without obstructing traffic more than is necessary.

3. A person failing to comply with the provisions of subsection 1 is guilty of a **Category A Offense**.

(Substituted in revision for SECTION 484.219)

**SECTION 484E.020 Duty to stop at scene of accident involving damage to vehicle or property.** The driver of any vehicle involved in an accident resulting only in damage to a vehicle or other property which is driven or attended by any person shall:

1. Immediately stop his or her vehicle at the scene of the accident; and

2. As soon as reasonably practicable, if the driver's vehicle is obstructing traffic and can be moved safely, move the vehicle or cause the vehicle to be moved to a location as close thereto as possible that does not obstruct traffic and return to and remain at the scene of the accident until the driver has fulfilled the requirements of SECTION 484E.030.

(Substituted in revision for SECTION 484.221)

**SECTION 484E.030 Duty to give information and render aid.**

1. The driver of any vehicle involved in an accident resulting in injury to or death of any person or damage to any vehicle or other property which is driven or attended by any person shall:

(a) Give his or her name, address and the [registration](#) number of the vehicle the driver is driving, and shall upon request and if available exhibit his or her license to operate a motor vehicle to any person injured in such accident or to the driver or occupant of or person attending any vehicle or other property damaged in such accident;

(b) Give such information and upon request manually surrender such license to any police officer at the scene of the accident or who is investigating the accident; and

(c) Render to any person injured in such accident reasonable assistance, including the carrying, or the making of arrangements for the carrying, of such person to a physician, surgeon or hospital for medical or surgical treatment if it is apparent that such treatment is necessary, or if such carrying is requested by the injured person.

2. If no police officer is present, the driver of any vehicle involved in such accident after fulfilling all other requirements of subsection 1 and [SECTION 484E.010](#), insofar as possible on his or her part to be performed, shall forthwith report such accident to the nearest office of a police authority or of the Nevada Highway Patrol and submit thereto the information specified in subsection 1.

(Substituted in revision for SECTION 484.223)

**SECTION 484E.040 Duty upon damaging unattended vehicle or other property.** The driver of any vehicle which collides with or is involved in an accident with any vehicle or other property which is unattended, resulting in any damage to such other vehicle or property, shall immediately stop and shall then and there locate and notify the operator or owner of such vehicle or other property of the name and address of the driver and owner of the vehicle striking the unattended vehicle or other property or shall attach securely in a conspicuous place in or on such vehicle or property a written notice giving the name and address of the driver and of the owner of the vehicle doing the striking.

(Substituted in revision for SECTION 484.225)

**SECTION 484E.050 Immediate notice to police officer of accident involving unattended vehicle or other property.**

1. The driver of a vehicle which collides with or is involved in an accident with any vehicle or other property which is unattended, resulting in any damage to such other vehicle or property, shall immediately by the quickest means of communication give notice of such accident to the nearest office of a police authority or of the Nevada Highway Patrol.

2. Whenever the driver of a vehicle is physically incapable of giving an immediate notice of an accident as required in subsection 1 and there was another occupant in the vehicle at the time of the accident capable of doing so, such occupant shall make or cause to be given the notice not given by the driver.

(Substituted in revision for SECTION 484.227)

**SECTION 484E.060 Seizure and impoundment of vehicle for failure to surrender license plates and certificate of registration upon suspension of registration.**

1. A peace officer at the scene of an accident involving a motor vehicle shall, by radio, request that the information on file with the Department be checked regarding the validity of the registration for each motor vehicle involved in the accident. If the peace officer is

informed that the registration of a motor vehicle involved in the accident has been suspended pursuant to any provision of [chapter 485](#) of this SECTION, the peace officer shall determine whether the license plates and certificate of registration for the motor vehicle have been surrendered as required by [SECTION 485.320](#). If the license plates and certificate have not been surrendered, the peace officer shall:

(a) Issue a traffic citation in the manner provided in [SECTION 484A.630](#) charging the registered owner with a violation of [SECTION 485.320](#) and [485.330](#); and

(b) Without a warrant, seize and take possession of the motor vehicle and cause it to be towed and impounded until the owner claims it by:

(1) Presenting proof that the vehicle's registration has been reinstated by the Department; and

(2) Paying the cost of the towing and impoundment.

2. Neither the peace officer nor the governmental entity which employs the peace officer is civilly liable for any damage to the vehicle that occurs after the vehicle is seized, but before the towing process begins.

(Substituted in revision for SECTION 484.228)

**SECTION 484E.070 Written report of accident to Tribal Police Department by driver or owner; exceptions; confidentiality; use as evidence at trial.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 2, 3 and 4, the driver of a vehicle which is in any manner involved in an accident on a highway or on premises to which the public has access, if the accident results in bodily injury to or the death of any person or total damage to any vehicle or item of property to an apparent extent of \$750 or more, shall, within 10 days after the accident, forward a written report of the accident to the Department. Whenever damage occurs to a motor vehicle, the operator shall attach to the accident report an estimate of repairs or a statement of the total loss from an established repair garage, an insurance adjuster employed by an insurer licensed to do business in this State, an adjuster licensed pursuant to [NRS 684A](#) or an appraiser licensed pursuant to [NRS 684B](#). The Department may require the driver or owner of the vehicle to file supplemental written reports whenever the original report is insufficient in the opinion of the Department.

2. A report is not required from any person if the accident was investigated by a law enforcement agency and the report of the investigating officer contains:

(a) The name and address of the insurance company providing coverage to each person involved in the accident;

(b) The number of each policy; and

(c) The dates on which the coverage begins and ends.

3. A written accident report is not required pursuant to this chapter from any person who is physically incapable of making a report, during the period of the person's incapacity. Whenever the driver is physically incapable of making a written report of an accident as required in this section and the driver is not the owner of the vehicle, the owner shall within 10 days after knowledge of the accident make the report not made by the driver.

4. All written reports required in this section to be forwarded to the Department by drivers or owners of vehicles involved in accidents are without prejudice to the person so reporting and are for the confidential use of the Department or other state agencies having use of the records for accident prevention, except as otherwise provided in [SECTION 239.0115](#) and except that the Department may disclose to a person involved in an accident or to his or her

insurer the identity of another person involved in the accident when the person's identity is not otherwise known or when the person denies having been present at the accident. The Department may also disclose the name of the person's insurer and the number of the person's policy.

5. A written report forwarded pursuant to the provisions of this section may not be used as evidence in any trial, civil or criminal, arising out of an accident except that the Tribal Police Department shall furnish upon demand of any party to such a trial, or upon demand of any court, a certificate showing that a specified accident report has or has not been made to the Department in compliance with law, and, if the report has been made, the date, time and location of the accident, the names and addresses of the drivers, the owners of the vehicles involved and the investigating officers. The report may be used as evidence when necessary to prosecute charges filed in connection with a violation of [NRS 484E.080](#).

(Substituted in revision for SECTION 484.229)

**SECTION 484E.080 Failure to report; false report; penalties.**

1. If a person willfully fails, refuses or neglects to make a report of an accident in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.

2. Any person who gives information in oral or written reports as required in this chapter, knowing or having reason to believe that such information is false, is guilty of a **Category B Offense**.

(Substituted in revision for SECTION 484.236)