



Washington State Patrol
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CODING CORNER: VEHICLE FIRES

Use this reference sheet for vehicle accidents that resulted in the vehicle catching fire. For a vehicle accident with no fire, use the **VEHICLE ACCIDENTS** reference sheet instead.

These incidents must include, at minimum, a Basic module and a Fire module. Completing an Apparatus/Personnel or EMS module is optional but highly encouraged.

If a Civilian Fire Casualty (injury or fatality) occurs due to the fire **and** YOU are the Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) for the incident, you are responsible for completing one Civilian Fire Casualty Module per civilian.

If a Fire Service Casualty (injury or fatality) from your department occurs, a Fire Service Casualty module is mandatory.

Incident Type(s):	131 – Passenger vehicle	132 – Road freight/transport
	133 – Rail vehicle;	134 – Water vehicle
	135 – Aircraft Vehicle	136 – Motor home/RV (moving, not stationary)
	137 – Camper/RV, towed	138 – Off-Road/Heavy Equipment

Example of Action(s) Taken:	11 – Extinguish	22 – Rescue, remove from harm
	23 – Extrication	78 – Control traffic

Basic Module

The below area all required fields when completing the Basic Module, but it is always recommended to fill out all fields for a comprehensive incident report.

- **Alarm, Arrival, and Last Unit Cleared** dates/times
- **Mutual Aid** (See 'Mutual Aid' reference sheet for more information)
- **Resources** (Complete an Apparatus/Personnel module for more detail)
- **Estimated Dollar Losses & Values** are estimates, and are required for all fires
- **Property Use**

Fire Module

The below are all required fields when completing the Fire module, but it is always recommended to fill out all fields for a comprehensive incident report.

- **Number of Residential Units** is only required if the Property Use section of the Basic Module is coded in the 400-series codes
- **On-Site Materials or Products** –and- **On-Site Materials Storage Use** is only required if the Property Use section of the Basic Module was coded in the 500, 600, 700, or 800-series codes
- **Section D – Ignition**, which includes Area of Fire Origin, Heat Source, Item First Ignited, and Type of Material First Ignited
- **Section E – Cause of Ignition**, which includes Cause of Ignition, Factors Contributing to Ignition, and Human Factors Contributing to Ignition



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