

September 13, 2021

IIU investigating two motor vehicle collisions involving police vehicles

The Independent Investigation Unit of Manitoba (IIU) is investigating two separate motor vehicle collisions, involving members of the RCMP, that both occurred on September 10th and resulted in individuals sustaining serious injuries.

The first incident occurred at approximately 5:14 p.m. According to the notification, a police officer was conducting traffic enforcement on Highway 16, east of Minnedosa when a speeder was located. The officer activated emergency equipment and turned to go west from the east bound shoulder and was struck by an east bound vehicle with two occupants. The collision occurred at the intersection of Highway 16 and Municipal Road 103. All parties were transported to Minnedosa Hospital and later transported to Brandon Regional Hospital. One of the occupants sustained a fractured sternum, a serious injury pursuant to IIU regulations.

The second incident occurred around 6:36 p.m. that same day. According to the notification, officers were responding to a call for service and at the intersection of Highway 311 and 59 entered a red light intersection, colliding with a civilian operated vehicle. One officer was transported to Steinbach Hospital with minor injuries and was treated and released. The driver of the other vehicle was transported to Health Sciences Centre and was admitted to hospital. As an admission to hospital falls within the definition of a serious injury, the IIU is mandated to investigate.

Witnesses or other individuals who have information or video footage that may assist this investigation are asked to contact the IIU toll free at 1-844-667-6060.

The investigation is ongoing so no further details will be provided at this time.

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