

Wayne County Sheriff's Office
Training Brief
Crashes involving trains

1. Never ask the engineer for their driver's license. Even if it is for the sole purpose of gathering his information, just ask him for his name, address and telephone number. The engineer does not need a driver's license to operate a train.
2. Never ask the engineer to take a chemical test. If you ask the engineer to take a chemical test or force him to take a chemical test this will give him grounds to sue you and the department.
3. Remember the train ALWAYS has the expressed right-of-way.
4. Do not list the engineer as other participant for he is NOT another participant. The engineer is listed as a witness and a witness only.
5. Gather the company name for the train and the engine number and list that information in the narrative section.
6. If there is any indication that the engineer may be under the influence contact the railroad police and they will respond and conduct their own investigation.
7. If the crash involves a fatal do not hesitate to contact the railroad police if needed. If you have any questions do not hesitate to call Sgt Coffin.

Probationary officer's signature and unit number

Date

FTO's Signature and unit number

Date