## **Traffic Accident Search Usage Agreement**

The Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requires the disclosure and/or nondisclosure of police related records or documents. **ePRO** complies with FOIA as follows:

Pursuant of Virginia Code 2.2-3706, The Freedom of Information Act, a general description of the criminal activity reported, the date and general location the alleged crime was committed, the identity of the investigating officer, and a general description of any injuries suffered or property damaged or stolen is provided.

Pursuant of 2.2-3706(F)(1), the following records are excluded from the provisions of this chapter, but may be disclosed by the custodian, in his discretion, except where such disclosure is prohibited by law -- complaints, memoranda, correspondence, case files or reports, witness statements, and evidence relating to a criminal investigation or prosecution, other than criminal incident information.

Pursuant of Virginia Code 2.2-3706(G)(1), The Freedom of Information Act, records kept by law-enforcement agencies as required by § 15.2-1722 shall be subject to the provisions of this chapter except when those portions of noncriminal incident or other investigative reports or materials containing identifying information of a personal, medical or financial nature provided to a law-enforcement agency where the release of such information would jeopardize the safety or privacy of any person.

Pursuant of Virginia Code 19.2-11.2, crime victim's right to nondisclosure of certain information, you may request nondisclosure of your name from Incident Reports. Please contact the Support Division, Records Unit at (757) 385-4331 (Option 2 for Incident and Accident Reports and Option 5 for Warrant information) between the hours of 8 AM and 4:30 PM or use the Comments link and provide the case number(s) and your name. Your name will be removed by the end of the next City business day.

Pursuant of Virginia Code 19.2-11.2, crime victim's right to nondisclosure of certain information, public information which directly or indirectly identifies the victim of a crime involving any sexual assault, sexual abuse or family abuse shall not be released via **ePRO**.

Pursuant of Virginia Code 16.1-301, confidentiality of law-enforcement records, juvenile records are protected against disclosure and shall not be release via **ePRO**.

Due to the dynamic nature of police databases, the information contained in this report may change or be removed from future reports. Every effort has been

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The Virginia Beach Police Department does not assume any liability for decisions made or actions taken or not taken by the recipient based on the information provided.

ACCIDENT REPORTS ONLY: Pursuant of Virginia Code 46.2-379, use of accident reports made by investigating officers, the Department shall disclose from the reports, on request of any person, the date, time, and location of the accident, and the names and addresses of the drivers, the owners of the vehicles involved, the injured persons, the witnesses, and one investigating officer. NOTE: This statute pertains to the state and not the Virginia Beach Police Department. However, in order to facilitate the release of information in a timely manner, the police department shall release case number, date, and general location of accidents via ePRO. In order to protect privacy, only persons involved in the accident may retrieve a copy of the report containing names and address online. See the City's Internet Terms of Use & Privacy Policy. You will be required to provide the case number, name, and DOB of the person involved plus one of the following pieces of information: driver's license number, license plate number, or last four digest of a VIN. All other requests for report must be made in person at the Records Unit, Building 11 located at the Municipal Center between 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday.

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: Allow at least 7 days from the report date for scanning into our records management systems. Scanning is completed daily, Monday through Friday and the reports are available in **ePRO** on the next business day.

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