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New Workstations

In 2019, most of CJIS has received a well deserved upgrade. New workstations can now be found in SOR, CCRE, NCJ, AFIS and UCR-IBR.

CCRE

Model Policy Published

In August 2019 the Virginia State Police published its model policy on the collection of fingerprints and reporting of criminal history information. A key element within the model policy is under the section that illustrates reportable criminal history information to the Central Criminal Records Exchange (CCRE). This section outlines reportable adult offenses under §19.2-390 Code of Virginia and juvenile offenses under §16.1-299 Code of Virginia. In addition to outlining reportable adult and juvenile offenses to the CCRE, the policy also provides best practices to be followed when procuring fingerprint information.

All the information provided in the model policy document is aimed at supporting the documentation and reporting of criminal history information. Without booking fingerprints, an offender's arrest and case disposition will not appear on his rap sheet. As a result, that offender could be improperly approved for a firearms purchase, be employed in a position of trust, or be given a lighter sentence on a future charge. The model policy on the collection of fingerprints and reporting of criminal history information may be found on the Virginia State Police website at link below.

[VSP Forms & Publications](#)

VCIN

Updates for VCIN Training – nexTEST

January 13, 2020 marked the first official update for the online training for VCIN, nexTEST. This application was launched back in the spring of 2018 with much success. The update came with huge improvements regarding testing, which will put a lot of new and current users' minds at ease.

From the initial startup, nexTEST had a test behind every module you reviewed. The current update has reduced that testing, based on your VCIN access – Limited (formerly Level B) or Full (formerly Level A) Access.

Limited Access Users will review the following modules (slides), and then take the comprehensive test. See below:
- CJIS Security Awareness Training
  - TEST
- Modules 01-06
  - TEST

Full Access Users will review the following modules (slides), and then take the comprehensive test. See below:
- CJIS Security Awareness Training
  - TEST
- Modules 01-06*
  - TEST – FULL ACCESS (PART 1)
- Modules 07-10
  - TEST – FULL ACCESS TEST

NOTE – Modules 01-06 will only be shown in the beginning of the full access testing. Once you have successfully completed the Full Access Test (Part 1), modules 07-10 will appear under your VCIN Training Tab.

If you have issues, please contact the VCIN Administrative Office at 804-674-4660, or 804-674-2144 to speak with the nexTEST Administrator, Mrs. Lunette Crawley-Price.

UCR-IBR

Updates in UCR-IBR (Uniform Crime Reporting-Incident Based Reporting)

VSP serves as the repository for law enforcement agencies in the Commonwealth to report their crime data in compliance with the FBI's National Incident Based Reporting (NIBRS) Program. VSP's IBR section has implemented a new data repository system. The new IBR website includes a public portal which allows anyone to retrieve crime data from the previous calendar year. This will prove beneficial not only to law enforcement, but to public, judicial, legislative, and academia persons who use Virginia crime data.

The new website can be accessed at the following link:

[VSP IBR Beyond 2020](#)

Use-Of-Force Data Collection

The FBI began a voluntary Use-Of-Force Data Collection of which Virginia has opted to participate. The updated collection gathers additional data fields to provide a detailed view of the use of force by law enforcement officers in Virginia. Data is collected in the following situations: incidents where any use of force results in the death or serious bodily injury of a person, as well as when a law enforcement officer discharges a firearm at or in the direction of a person.

UCR-IBR Continued

New Crime Codes

As of 2016, the FBI identified new crime codes for collection. As of March 2019 Virginia began collection of this information as well. The addition of these codes will provide more information as to the crimes occurring in the Commonwealth.

- Animal Cruelty
- Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts
- Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude
- Identity Theft
- Hacking/Computer Invasion
- Purchasing Prostitution

Preliminary Crime Data

The following page shows preliminary statewide crime data comparisons by offense type using the FBI crime count method. Preliminary data includes crimes occurring from January to September. Variance in number of crimes may be due to updated technical specifications in combination with general crime fluctuations.

Group A Crimes	Y2018	Y2019
Aggravated Assault	7,793	8,272
Animal Cruelty	8	1,014
Arson	518	485
Bribery	14	30
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	11,441	10,288
Counterfeiting/Forgery	5,231	4,496
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	37,566	35,286
Drug Offenses	57,767	56,098
Embezzlement	1,965	1,899
Extortion/Blackmail	446	371
Forcible Sex Offenses	4,849	4,394
Fraud Offenses	1,366	1,544
Gambling Offenses	22	35
Human Trafficking	1	29
Kidnapping/Abduction	1,242	1,309
Larceny Offenses	88,150	86,119
Motor Vehicle Theft	8,254	7,776
Murder and Nonnegligent Manslaughter	315	305
Non forcible Sex Offenses	143	93
Pornography/Obscene Material	1,348	1,396
Prostitution Offenses	414	469
Robbery	2,663	2,517
Simple Assault and Intimidation	65,042	64,434
Stolen Property Offenses	1,106	1,066
Weapon Law Violations	9,191	9,050
TOTAL	**306,855**	**298,775**

Group B Arrests	Y2018	Y2019
Bad Checks	365	280
Curfew/Loitering/Vagrancy Violations	546	446
Disorderly Conduct	2,185	2,220
Driving Under the Influence	16,022	15,844
Drunkenness	15,575	15,510
Family Offenses (Nonviolent)	1,269	1,063
Liquor Law Violations	3,494	3,546
Peeping Tom	21	18
Runaway	1,333	921
Trespass of Real Property	5,489	5,415
All Other Offenses	66,667	67,416
TOTAL	**112,966**	**112,679**

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