

**§13069-C. Watercraft accident reports**

A person shall report a watercraft accident to the commissioner in accordance with this section. [PL 2005, c. 436, §4 (NEW).]

**1. Injury to person.** An operator or owner of a watercraft involved in a collision, accident or other casualty while using the watercraft that results in the death of a person, a person's losing consciousness or receiving medical treatment, a person's becoming disabled for more than 24 hours or the disappearance of a person from a watercraft under circumstances indicating death or injury shall file a written report on forms provided by the commissioner containing the information as required by the commissioner within 24 hours of the occurrence.

[PL 2005, c. 436, §4 (NEW).]

**2. Damage to watercraft.** Accidents involving only damage to watercraft or other property to the estimated amount of \$2,000 or more must be reported within 72 hours on forms provided by the commissioner.

[PL 2015, c. 301, §45 (AMD).]

**3. Penalties.** The following penalties apply to violations of this section.

A. A person who violates this section commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 may be adjudged. [PL 2005, c. 436, §4 (NEW).]

B. A person who violates this section after having been adjudicated as having committed 3 or more civil violations under this Part within the previous 5-year period commits a Class E crime. [PL 2005, c. 436, §4 (NEW).]

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**SECTION HISTORY**

PL 2005, c. 436, §4 (NEW). PL 2015, c. 301, §45 (AMD).

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