# **Crime Statistics Newsletter**

# Accessing Publications on SharePoint

Agencies will receive an e-mail via the listserv with instructions for accessing Crime in Tennessee, Hate Crime, and LEOKA on SharePoint. A login and password will be required to view the reports. We will be using the same login and password that your agency uses to access the TNCrimeOnline site. If you do not have an account, you must set one up in order to see the reports before they are released to the public and media.

If your RAC changed recently, we will deactivate the account for TNCrimeOnline and ask the new RAC to submit the password form to change the agency password and reactivate the account.

If you need to set up an account, please go to

http://www.tbi.tn.gov/law\_enforcement/law\_tibrs.shtml to download the form.

Agencies will have approximately five business days to review before the reports are released to the media. Please contact us if you have any questions.

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# **New TIBRS Offense of Animal Cruelty**

Beginning October 1, 2015, TBI will add the Group A offense of Animal Cruelty to the TIBRS program as a Crime Against Society. This is in response to guidelines provided to the state program from the FBI.

The Type Criminal Activity field will expand to include four data values about the type of abuse. The four types of abuse will be:

- Simple/Gross Neglect (failure to provide food, water, shelter, veterinary care, or intentionally or knowingly withholding food or water)
- Intentional Abuse and Torture
- Organized Abuse (dog fighting and cock fighting)
- ♦ Animal Sexual Abuse (bestiality).

The definition of Animal Cruelty will be:

Intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly taking an action that mistreats or kills any animal without just cause, such as torturing, tormenting, mutilation, maiming, poisoning, or abandonment.

Included are instances of duty to provide care, e.g., shelter, food, water, care if sick or injured; transporting or confining an animal in a manner likely to cause injury or death; causing an animal to fight with another; inflicting excessive or repeated unnecessary pain or suffering, e.g., uses objects to beat or torture an animal. This definition does not include proper maintenance of animals for show or sport; use of animals for food, lawful hunting, fishing, or trapping.

The FBI has not released the specific edits attached to the offense and type criminal activity codes. This information will be provided to the agencies and vendors as soon as it is received at TBI.

# 2015 April and May Tentative Publication Deadlines

04/06/2015	2014 Crime in Tennessee posted on SharePoint for agencies
04/13/2015	2014 Crime in Tennessee release
04/20/2015	2014 Hate Crime/LEOKA posted on SharePoint for agencies
04/28/2015	2014 Hate Crime/LEOKA release
05/06/2015	2014 School Crime posted on SharePoint for agencies
05/11/2015	2014 School Crime release

# **Common Audit Findings**

As the new audit cycle has started this year the auditors have encountered some common errors at several agencies. Below is a list of the three most common errors found when auditing agencies.

1. Unknown demographics for victims and arrestees

When reporting arrestee/known victims there should be no unknowns for any of the demographics (sex, race, resident status, and ethnicity). Agencies should focus on getting every demographic for known victims and arrestees when reporting incidents to TIBRS.

2. Recovery of property in shoplifting incidents

In several shoplifting incidents officers will recovery the stolen property in the parking lot of the business and the agency will forget to enter the recovery of the shoplifted property. When reporting shoplifting incidents, RACs need to ensure they read the narrative carefully so the recovery of property is not overlooked.

#### 3. \$1 property values

When the agency is not given a value of the property stolen in an incident use an estimate of what the items are worth. For example an IPhone is stolen and the victim doesn't give the officer the value of the phone, use a reasonable estimate such as \$500. Agencies can also get an idea of what property is worth by searching for the property on the internet to see common values.



# **2015 TIBRS Training Schedule**

MARCH			
Monday, March 30	Introduction to Data Collection TBI Headquarters, Nashvi		
Tuesday, March 31	TnCOP Software NEW USERS ONLY!	TBI Headquarters, Nashville	
APRIL			
Wednesday, April 1	Introduction to Data Collection	Union University, Jackson	
Thursday, April 2	TIBRS Review	Union University, Jackson	
Tuesday, April 21	TIBRS Overview & Report Writing	TBI Headquarters, Nashville	
Monday, April 27	Introduction to Data Collection	TBI Headquarters, Nashville	
Tuesday, April 28	TnCOP Software NEW USERS ONLY!	TBI Headquarters, Nashville	
MAY			
Tuesday, May 5	TIBRS Review	TBI Headquarters, Nashville	
Tuesday, May 26	TNCrimeOnline (0900 to 1300)	TBI Headquarters, Nashville	
Wednesday, May 27	Introduction to Data Collection	TBI Headquarters, Nashville	
Thursday, May 28	TnCOP Software NEW USERS ONLY!	TBI Headquarters, Nashville	
JUNE			
Wednesday, June 10	Introduction to Data Collection	Union University, Jackson	
Thursday, June 11	TIBRS Review	Union University, Jackson	
Friday, June 12	TIBRS Overview & Report Writing	Union University, Jackson	
Wednesday, June 17	Introduction to Data Collection	Roane State, Harriman	
Thursday, June 18	TIBRS Review	Roane State, Harriman	
Friday, June 19	TIBRS Overview & Report Writing	Roane State, Harriman	
Tuesday, June 23	Introduction to Data Collection	TBI Headquarters, Nashville	
Wednesday, June 24	TnCOP Software NEW USERS ONLY!	TBI Headquarters, Nashville	
Monday, June 29	TIBRS Review	TBI Headquarters, Nashville	
Tuesday, June 30	TIBRS Overview & Report Writing	TBI Headquarters, Nashville	
JULY			
Tuesday, July 7	Introduction to Data Collection	TBI Headquarters, Nashville	
Wednesday, July 8	TnCOP Software NEW USERS ONLY!	TBI Headquarters, Nashville	
Thursday, July 16	TIBRS Review (make-up class from March 5)	Civic Center, Sevierville	
Tuesday, July 21	TIBRS Review	TBI Headquarters, Nashville	

## To sign up for a TIBRS class, please email Dale King (Dale.King@tn.gov).

Please include: first and last name of attendee(s), your agency's name and ORI number, and the date(s) you wish to attend.

Note the following regarding the training schedule:

- <u>TIBRS Overview & Report Writing</u> classes <u>do not</u> count toward initial or recertification training requirements for Reporting Agency Coordinators (RACs) or Alternate RACs.
- TNCrimeOnline classes <u>do not</u> count toward initial or recertification training requirements for Reporting Agency Coordinators (RACs) or Alternate RACs. However, due to the many advantages of using TNCrimeOnline, we highly recommend that RACs and Alt. RACs attend the classes if at all possible.
- Due to limited seating, <u>TnCOP Software</u> classes are for <u>new users only</u>.



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For issues concerning TnCOP or CRMS, please complete the Fusion Center Issue form (located on the TBI web site) and email to tncop.helpdesk@tn.gov For immediate TnCOP issues, call or send a text to 615-210-3726 (text messages are the preferred choice).

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