

State of Minnesota Water Accident Report (Non-Watercraft)

State Use Only:

Incident Case Report #:

This form should be used for reporting drownings, etc. not involving the use of a watercraft whenever a water accident results from:

1. Swimming or wading fatalities.
2. Unexpected falls into the water.
3. Unexpected falls through the ice.
4. Scuba diving activities.
5. The use of inner tubes, air mattresses and other non-watercraft where the victim was not considered to be swimming or wading.
6. Motor vehicles, snowmobiles, or ATVs that break through ice or drive into open water while on ice.
7. Victim intentionally leaves an anchored, docked, or moored watercraft (swimming etc.).
8. Other water-related (including bathtub, hot tub, whirlpool, etc.).

Time & Location

Date of Accident: **Time:** AM PM

Name of Waterbody or Pool:

City or Town: **County:**

Precise location where victim was found:

Type of Waterbody (choose one):

Lake River Pool
Pond/Ditch Other _____

Victim Information

Name (Last, First, Middle):

Type of Incident (choose one):

Date of Birth: **Sex:** Female Male

Died Injured

Address (Street, City, State):

Disappeared (not recovered)

Describe injuries or cause of death:

Submersion Information

Date: **Time:** AM PM

Other Victim Information

Water Depth (at submersion): Feet Inches

Swimming Ability (choose one):

Unknown

Swimmer Non-swimmer

Unknown

Recovery Information

Date: **Time:** AM PM

Swimming Education (choose one):

Method of Recovery:

School Red Cross Scouts

Unknown None Other _____

Rescue Breathing (mouth-to-mouth)? Yes No

Victim's Clothing (choose one):

Was CPR used? Yes No

Winter Street Swimsuit

None Unknown Other _____

Accident Description

What victim was doing (choose one):

Swimming Fishing Walking on Ice
Scuba Diving Hunting Snowmobiling on Ice
Attempt Rescue Ice Skating Auto/Vehicle on Ice
Diving into Shallow Water Unknown
Other _____

Probable Cause of Accident (check all that apply):

Swimming in unknown water Fell from dock
Physical failure or exhaustion Fell from bridge
Non-proficient swimmer Fell through ice
Alcohol or drug use Fell from bank
Inadequate supervision Fell from poolside
Suicide or attempt Unknown
Other _____

Physical Condition (answer all questions):

Physical Condition	Yes	No
Had been drinking		
Had been taking drugs		
Heart attack		
Epilepsy		
Condition Unknown		

Other Condition:

B.A.C. (if taken):

Safety Devices or Procedures at Accident Scene

(check all that apply):

Lifeguard on duty USCG Approved PFDs
Properly marked swim area Warning signs
Lifelines marking safe area Fencing / Railing
Lifeboat, ring buoy, or lifeline None
Adequate person(s) supervising Unknown
Other _____

Water Conditions

Weather (check one):

Clear Fog Rain Snow
Cloudy Indoors Other _____

Ice Conditions (check all that apply):

Solid Snow-covered Pressure ridge
Honeycombed Water-covered

Ice Thickness: Feet Inches

Water (check one):

Calm (waves < 6 inches)
Choppy (waves 6 inches – 2 feet)
Rough (waves 2 feet – 6 feet)
Very Rough (waves > 6 feet)
Strong Current Frozen Other

Air Temp: °F **Water Temp:** °F

Remarks

Please describe briefly what happened. Submit diagram or photos separately if applicable.

Witness Information

Witness Name (last, first, middle):

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Telephone:

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Witness location at time of accident:

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Person who notified authorities (last, first, middle):

Date Received:

Time Received:

Telephone:

Investigator's Signature:

Department received by:

Rank:

Badge Number:

Submit reports by email to boatandwater.dnr@state.mn.us or in the mail to Boat and Water Safety, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, 500 Lafayette Road, Saint Paul, MN 55155-4047