

Fort Devens PLR Updates August 2012

Preliminary Loss Reports (**PLR**) are For Official Use Only and are to provide leaders with awareness of Army loss as we experience it and to point out potential trends that affect our combat readiness.

PLR 12100

POM CRASH CLAIMS ONE SOLDIER'S LIFE

A Warrior Transition Battalion, Fort Benning, Georgia, Soldier died from injuries sustained in a motorcycle crash that occurred on 1 July 2012 at approximately 0330 local near Opelika, Alabama. The 33-year-old SPC was riding his motorcycle when he lost control and crashed. He was wearing a helmet and was licensed.

PLR 12101

AVIATION MISHAP CLAIMS ONE SOLDIER'S LIFE

An activated Missouri Army National Guard Soldier was killed in an aviation related mishap that occurred on 2 July 2012 at approximately 1100 local in Guatemala. The 34-year-old SSG was videoing/photographing a UH-60 MEDEVAC hoist operation when he was struck in the head by a tree branch that was separated by the rotor wash. He was evacuated to a medical center for treatment where he was pronounced deceased.

PLR 12102

PEDESTRIAN MISHAP CLAIMS ONE SOLDIER'S LIFE

A 44th Medical Brigade, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, Soldier was killed in a pedestrian mishap on 6 July 2012, at approximately 0530 local, in Hope Mills. The 46-year-old CPT was running in the roadway conducting personal physical training when he was struck by a vehicle. The driver stopped and called for assistance. The CPT was evacuated to a local medical center for treatment where he died the next day. The driver was not charged in the MISHAP.

PLR 12103

POM CRASH CLAIMS ONE SOLDIER'S LIFE

A 172nd Infantry Brigade Combat Team, Grafenwoehr, Germany, Soldier home on leave died from injuries sustained in a motorcycle crash that occurred on 8 July 2012 at approximately 0200 local in Cool, California. The 23-year-old SGT was riding his 2012 Yamaha R1 motorcycle at a high rate of speed when he lost control, exited the roadway and crashed. He was licensed, trained and was wearing PPE.

PLR 12104

POV CRASH CLAIMS ONE SOLDIER'S LIFE

A US Army Reserve Command Soldier was killed in a motor vehicle crash on 23 June 2012 at approximately 1430 local in Fremont, Nebraska. The 24-year-old SPC was weaving in and out of traffic in a Chrysler PT Cruiser and passed a vehicle on the shoulder of the lane. He then travelled back across two lanes of traffic, went into the median, lost control, overturned and the vehicle landed in a ditch. The driver was ejected and pronounced deceased on the scene. Police reported he was not wearing a seatbelt.

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AOV MISHAP CLAIMS ONE SOLDIER'S LIFE

A Louisiana Army National Guard Soldier was fatally injured when he was struck by a GSA bus on 10 July 2012 at approximately 2130 local in Pineville, Louisiana. The 38-year-old SGT was retrieving something from the passenger side of his assigned LMTV when the bus struck him as it was pulling out. The Soldier was pinned between the two vehicles and was pronounced deceased at the scene.

PLR 12106

POV CRASH CLAIMS ONE SOLDIER'S LIFE

A 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Georgia, Soldier was involved in a single vehicle crash on 10 July 2012 at approximately 0400 local in Richmond, Virginia. The 21-year-old PFC was operating a Volkswagen Beetle when she lost control in heavy rain conditions and struck a side support barrier. She was transported to a local medical center and was removed from life support on 11 July 2012. Seatbelt use was not reported. Leader Engagement Tips PLR 12098

PLR 12107

POV CRASH CLAIMS TWO SOLDIERS' LIVES

Two 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Benning, Georgia, Soldiers on block leave were killed in a vehicle crash on 13 July 2012 at approximately 1800 local in Crawfordville, GA. The two Soldiers (31-year-old SGT and 22-year-old SPC) were traveling in a 2010 Ford Fusion in heavy rain conditions when the driver lost control, the vehicle crossed the median and collided with an oncoming Ford F350 then a semi-trailer truck. Both of the Soldiers were wearing seatbelts but were pronounced deceased at the scene.

PLR 12108

AMV MISHAP CLAIMS TWO SOLDIERS' LIVES

Two RC-South, USFOR-A, Soldiers were involved in an Army Military Vehicle (AMV) mishap on 24 June 2012 at approximately 0430 local in Afghanistan. The two Soldiers (28-year-old SPC and 32-year-old SSG) were operating a HET with a MAC-V on the trailer in a convoy when it was struck by a local national fuel tanker. The HET jack-knifed and overturned in a ditch then caught fire. Neither Soldier survived the crash. The HET was destroyed in the post-crash fire. The command ruled out hostile intent on the part of the fuel truck driver.

PLR 12109

POV CRASH CLAIMS ONE SOLDIER'S LIFE

A US Army Reserve, Soldier on his way to IDT was killed in a vehicle crash on 14 July 2012 at approximately 0730 local in Richmond, Ohio. The 19-year-old PFC was driving a privately-owned vehicle en route to his unit in wet road conditions when he lost control, the vehicle left the road and struck a tree. He exited the vehicle himself then collapsed and was rushed to a medical center for treatment. He died later the next day.

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PLR 12110

POV CRASH CLAIMS ONE SOLDIER'S LIFE

An 11th Air Defense Artillery Brigade, Fort Bliss, Texas, Soldier on leave was killed in a vehicle crash on 20 July 2012 at approximately 0200 local near Sherwood Township, Michigan. The 21-year-old SGT was traveling with her sister in a Ford Mustang vehicle when she lost control of the car and it rolled over and caught fire. The SGT was unable to exit the vehicle and was pronounced deceased at the scene. Her 23-year-old sister was able to exit the vehicle and is currently being treated at a medical facility for her injuries.

PLR 12111

POV CRASH CLAIMS ONE SOLDIER'S LIFE

A 172nd Brigade Combat Team, Ledward Barracks, Germany, Soldier on post-deployment block leave was killed in a vehicle crash on 20 July 2012 at approximately 1300 local in Jamaica. The 25-year-old SPC was involved in a vehicle crash and received severe blunt force trauma to the head. He was evacuated to a local medical center where he died later that evening.

PLR 12112

POV CRASH CLAIMS ONE SOLDIER'S LIFE

A 3rd Special Forces Group (Airborne), Fort Bragg, North Carolina, Soldier was killed in a vehicle crash on 22 July 2012 at approximately 1500 local in Fayetteville, N.C. The 21-year-old SPC was driving a 1998 Honda Civic west on Morganton Road at a high speed when he lost control of the vehicle. The Soldier's vehicle crossed the center line and collided with a 2011 Hyundai headed in the opposite direction seriously injuring the two occupants of the other vehicle. The SPC had a civilian passenger who also died at the scene. Seatbelt use was not reported.

PLR 12113

POM CRASH CLAIMS ONE SOLDIER'S LIFE

An 82nd Sustainment Brigade, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, Soldier died from injuries sustained in a motorcycle crash that occurred on 23 July 2012 at approximately 2000 local in Fayetteville. The 39-year-old SGT was riding his motorcycle when he lost control and struck an ambulance that was on an emergency run. He was licensed, trained and was wearing PPE. He was evacuated to a local medical center for treatment where he died later that day.

PLR12114

POV CRASH CLAIMS ONE SOLDIER'S LIFE

An Alabama Army National Guard Soldier, on his way home from weekend drill, was killed in a vehicle crash on 22 July 2012 at approximately 1700 local near Tuscaloosa, Alabama. The 32-year-old SFC was driving a 2005 Honda Accord in inclement weather conditions when he collided with a 2003 Chevrolet Tahoe approaching from the opposite lane. The SFC was pronounced dead at the scene. The other driver was fatally injured. Seatbelt use was not reported.

These PLR's does not identify specific root causes of these incidents as the investigations are ongoing. Our Army depends on you to use these PLRs to help Soldiers understand the impact of decisions made on and off duty.