



Richmond Hill Road Watch Committee

Virtual Information Session

September 15, 2022



Committee's Purpose and Mandate

- Work as a community based volunteer program to make the City of Richmond Hill a safer place to live and work
- Undertake various information initiatives, with assistance from York Regional Police and City Staff (booths/displays at malls and various festivals and gatherings)
- Recruit sponsors to cover the Committee's ongoing costs and develop, maintain and update the Road Watch Report form as necessary.

The Road Watch Program

- Community based initiative that deals with the public's concerns about **dangerous and aggressive driving** practices
- Residents report aggressive and unsafe driving to the police
- Use of Citizen Report Forms
- Core mission is to reduce traffic collisions and injuries (**Safer Streets for Everyone**)



What is Dangerous and Aggressive Driving?

- Speeding
- Distracted driving
- Following too close
- School bus violations
- Failure to yield right-of-way
- Improper lane change
- Improper passing
- Disobeying traffic signs and signals




How to Report Dangerous & Aggressive Driving?

- Resident observes an act of dangerous and aggressive driving in Richmond Hill
- Fill in details on the Citizen Report Form (online)
- Submit to York Regional Police Service
- Police identify vehicle owner

Citizen Report Forms

- Designed to give York Regional Police the necessary information to appropriately deal with acts of unsafe driving.
- Citizen Report Forms are filled out online by citizens who observe unsafe and dangerous drivers.
- Name will be kept confidential and not disclosed.

Citizen Report Forms



YORK REGIONAL POLICE

Emergency? Call 9-1-1

Road Watch

Welcome to the York Regional Police Road Watch Online Reporting system .

Road Watch is a community driven program that provides citizens with a means to report aggressive or unlawful driver behaviour. Instances of unsafe lane changes, disobeying traffic lights and stop signs are some typical types of behaviors that qualify for a Road Watch submission.

[Click here to START a Road Watch Report](#)

Once a submission is received by York Regional Police, the information will be reviewed by a police officer and, if deemed appropriate, a letter will be sent to the owner of the vehicle outlining the date, time and location of the incident. The letter will also include important messages encouraging the owner to ensure all who drive their vehicles do so in a safe and responsible manner.

Road Watch may be used in instances where:

- No collision occurred. If the incident resulted in a collision, please call the police for further instructions;
- The suspect driver is not known to you. If the identity of the driver is known, call the police;
- The suspect's licence plate number was obtained. A brief description of the vehicle is also needed to validate the licence plate information;

As accurate a description as possible of the incident should be submitted. Providing as much information as possible will help ensure that action will be taken against the suspect vehicle owner.

York Regional Police will only accept reports that occurred inside York Region. To report a non-emergency incident that occurred outside York Region, please contact the local police service for that area. [Click here for map](#) of York Region.

Online Report Criteria:

- You MUST have a valid email address;
- You MUST provide the Vehicle's Licence Plate Number;
- You MUST disable your computer's pop-up blocking software before you may proceed;

Please Note:

- Filing a false police report is a criminal offence
- You may be contacted by email or telephone if further information is required.
- If you have photographs or video footage relating to your report. Please retain it and note it in your complaint narrative that it is available. If it is required, you may be contacted by an officer to provide it at a later date.

[Click here to START a Road Watch Report](#)


[Citizens Online Police Reporting System Main Page](#)

[Privacy Policy](#)

What Happens After a Report?

- 3-Tier Police response:
 - First – Letter sent to owner
 - Second – Letter and/or visit from Police
 - Third – Letter and visit from Police and charges considered

Citizen Report Form Online

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Road Watch

Start > Yourself > Incident > Vehicle > Narrative > Review > Finish

My Personal Information

Please enter your information as completely as possible. You may be contacted regarding this incident. An email address is required if you would like to be notified when this report is received and approved.

*First Name	<input type="text"/>
*Last Name	<input type="text"/>
Country	<input type="text" value="Canada"/>
*Home Address (Please TYPE the address if it is not listed)	Number <input type="text"/> *St Name <input type="text"/> St Type <input type="text" value=""/> Post Dir <input type="text" value=""/> Apt/Unit <input type="text"/>
	*City <input type="text"/> *Prov <input type="text" value="Ontario"/> Postal Code <input type="text"/>
*Home Phone	<input type="text"/> (ex: 555-111-2222 - The system will auto-insert the dashes)
Mobile Phone	<input type="text"/> (ex: 555-111-2222 - The system will auto-insert the dashes)
*Email	<input type="text"/>
*Confirm Email	<input type="text"/>
Business Phone	<input type="text"/> (ex: 555-111-2222 - The system will auto-insert the dashes) Ext <input type="text"/> (ex: 12345)
*Gender	Please Select <input type="text"/>
*Date Of Birth	Year <input type="text"/> Month <input type="text"/> Day <input type="text"/>

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Citizen Report Form Online

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Enter Incident Information

Please enter all the information that applies. If you do not know the address of the incident, use the nearest intersection such as Market St./ 10th St.

*Street Address

Number	St Name	St Type	Post Dir	Apt/Unit
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

*City / *Prov / Postal Code

Ontario

*Incident Time (start)

2019 04-April 04 01 00 PM

*Incident Time (end)

2019 04-April 04 01 00 PM

*Location Type

Please Select

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Enter Vehicle Information

Please enter the vehicle information.

Type

Please Select

Make

Please Select

Model

Please Select

*Color

Please Select

*License Plate No (Please enter WITHOUT spaces)

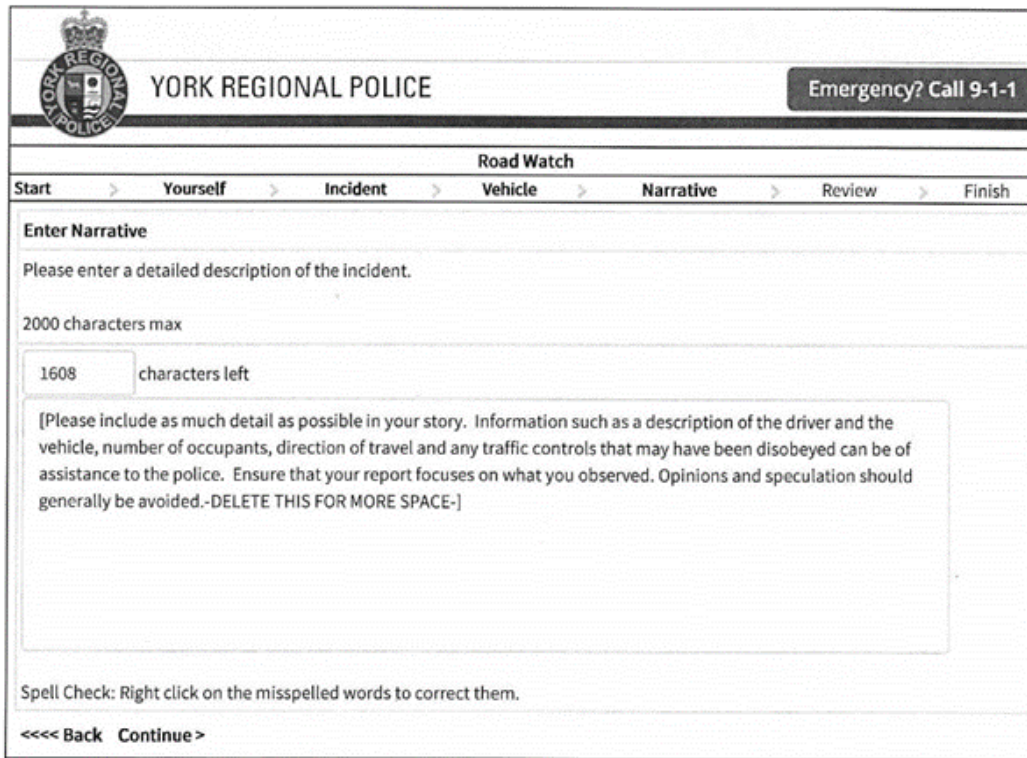
*Country and Province/State of Issue


Canada

Please Select

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Start > Yourself > Incident > Vehicle > **Narrative** > Review > Finish

Enter Narrative

Please enter a detailed description of the incident.

2000 characters max

1608 characters left

[Please include as much detail as possible in your story. Information such as a description of the driver and the vehicle, number of occupants, direction of travel and any traffic controls that may have been disobeyed can be of assistance to the police. Ensure that your report focuses on what you observed. Opinions and speculation should generally be avoided.-DELETE THIS FOR MORE SPACE-]

Spell Check: Right click on the misspelled words to correct them.

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Community Events and Educational Activities

- Some events that Road Watch has participated in to promote core program:
 - Winter Carnival
 - YRP Community Safety
 - Village Open House
 - Public Works Open House



Community Events and Educational Activities

- Local Ward Councillors' New Years Levee and Summer Barbecues
- Richmond Hill Santa Claus Parade
- Other Programs or Initiatives to Consider



Community Events and Educational Activities

- **NEW:** City's Traffic Safety and Operations Strategy (TSOS) under Development
- Opportunity for Road Watch Committee to be involved in the promotion of new / enhanced campaigns:
 - Active School Travel
 - SLOW DOWN Lawn Signs
 - Calendar of Road Safety Events

Road Watch Participants and Partners

- Residents
- Road Watch Committee
- York Regional Police
- City of Richmond Hill staff and Council



For More Information

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Road Watch email address:

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General email addresses for traffic information:

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traffic.inquiries@richmondhill.ca

THANK YOU

