



NIBRS Coding Scenarios

Vehicle - Proceeds of Fraud and Burglary

Issue 1: A citizen let a friend borrow her car for a week. The friend never returned the car. The local agency asked if this should be coded as a Motor Vehicle Theft.

Coding: The correct coding for this incident would be a Fraud; "26A - False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Games". The proceeds of the Fraud would be the vehicle. In the Property Segment, the Loss Type would be "7 - Stolen"; the Property Type would be "3 - Automobile" and the Value would need to be filled in.

Issue 2: A homeowner had their pickup stolen from their garage along with tools. The local agency asked if this should be coded as a Burglary (tools) and Motor Vehicle Theft (pickup).

Coding: The correct coding for this incident would be a Burglary; "220 - Burglary/B&E". The proceeds of the Burglary would be the pickup and the tools. In the Property Segment, the Loss Type would be "7 - Stolen"; the Property Type would be "36 - Tools" and "37 - Trucks". The Value for each category would need to be filled in.

Reference: NIBRS Volume 1: Data Collection Guidelines (blue cover), Fraud defined p.27. Burglary/B&E defined p. 24. Property Descriptions pp. 83 - 85.

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NIBRS Class
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There must be a minimum of 25 participants enrolled by August 31, 2011 in order to conduct this training.

Note that the preceding gives general examples. It is not meant to be all inclusive. Coding is based on individual case circumstances. Please direct NIBRS questions to:

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