4-16/025.00 - Motor Vehicles - Impounded

CLASSIFICATION Crime or Incident	FORM NUMBER FILE NUMBER PRIORITY	ASSIGNMENT AND ACTION	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND STATISTICAL CODES
4-16/025.00 MOTOR VEHICLES - IMPOUNDED			
Impounded because vehicle involved in a crime	CHP-180 URN	Station/unit detective and investigation unit, if different A	Same file number as assigned to crime. Vehicle held as evidence for investigation only. Refer to proper crime classification for report form priority and code. SVS and NCIC entry required.
Impounded vehicle involved| in "Hit and run" or fatal/serious injury traffic collision	CHP-180 URN	Station/unit patrol Traffic A	Form CHP 180 is supplemental to the Traffic Accident Report under same file number. Assignment is to station/unit holding the traffic accident report. Send summary message of Form CHP 180 via JDIC if another agency's traffic accident report.
- Impounded because of unlicensed driver	CHP-180 URN 25	Station/unit patrol Traffic A	CHP-180 is supplemental to any arrest report under same file a code 255 - vehicle laws misdemeanor.

Impounded vehicle (including motorcycles, mopeds and construction equipment) with fictitious, missing, or altered serial numbers, VIN plate or papers	SH-R-49 CHP-180 URN 25	Station/unit detective A	When a vehicle or vehicle part is taken from the immediate possession of an individual and impounded, complete CHP-181 in addition to CHP-180. Notify TRAP immediately by telephone. TRAP will assist in the positive identification of an impounded vehicle with fictitious, missing, or altered serial numbers, VIN, plates, or papers. When station/unit detectives and TRAP are unable to positively identify the vehicle/part within five (5) days, station/unit detectives shall arrange for a court hearing, in accordance with 10751 CVC. CHP-181A shall be completed and sent to the individual from whom the vehicle was taken and to the registered and legal owners indicated by DMV records, if determined. If this case involves a vehicle theft ring, assign the case and follow instructions as outlined under "Motor Vehicles, Stolen," Organized Commercial Theft Ring or Operation. **NOTE:** Vehicles with VIN missing or altered shall not be handled as "recovered" even though a similar vehicle bearing the license plates which are on the impounded vehicle were reported stolen; recover the license plates and impound the vehicle for identification.