





# Road accident & vehicle incident investigation services



## Professional forensic investigation

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## Services provided

The Forensic Vehicle Investigation Consultancy (FVIC) exists to provide professional forensic traffic and vehicle incident related investigation and engineering skills to the legal, insurance and transport industry.

The consultancy uses only experienced experts who have all the relevant skills and qualifications.

Our experts come from either police or motor industry backgrounds having many

years hands on experience in investigating incidents and providing evidence based on all factors involved and the use of accepted scientific principles.

All our experts are fully conversant with Criminal and Civil Procedure Rules and are fully skilled Expert Witnesses.

FVIC provides professional services in the following areas:



- Road accident analysis & investigation
- Traffic accident reconstruction
- Vehicle & component examinations
- Expert witness statements & interviews
- Accident consistency examinations
- Forensic stolen vehicle examinations
- Detailed analysis of prosecution evidence and other expert reports
- Speed detection devices (radar, VASCAR & Police Pilot)
- Auto insurance claims & investigation
- Insurance repair assessment
- Damage consistency examinations
- Insurance repair assessments and diminution of value reports

- Vehicle pre-purchase inspections & valuations
- Photography & video
- Detailed site inspections & locus reports
- Electronic surveys of road traffic & crime scenes
- Computer generated scale plans
- Criminal proceedings
- Road traffic proceedings
- Coroners Court
- Civil litigation
- Insurance valuers & assessors
- Corporate retained services

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## Skills, experience & qualifications

FVIC experts have received extensive training and hold relevant qualifications and senior membership of all current professional bodies including:

- The City & Guilds Institute (*C*&*G*)
- The Institute of Traffic Accident Investigators
  (ITAI)
- The Institute of the Motor Industry (IMI)
- The Institute of Road Transport Engineers (IRTE)
- The Society of Operations Engineers (SOE)

FVIC experts have skills, qualifications experience in the following areas:

- Fully trained former Police accident investigators
- Class 1 Advanced Police car driving
- LGV Class 1 driving licence holders
- PCV driving licence holders
- Motorcycle driving licence holders
- Holder of Certificates of Professional Competence (National Freight & Passenger Transport Operations)
- Fully trained and experienced former Police Traffic Patrol Officer
- Hand held speed detection device operation (radar & laser)
- In car speed detection device operation (VASCAR, etc.)
- Standard accident investigation training
- Advanced accident investigation training
- City & Guilds Certificate in Road Accident
  Investigation for Police Officers
- Electronic total station surveying of acci dent scenes / incident sites
- City & Guilds Computer Aided Design Operation (CAD)
- City and Guilds Full Certificate in Automotive Engineering.
- Advanced Automotive Engineer (AAE).
- Incorporated Engineer (*I.Eng*)
- Full membership of the Institute of Traffic Accident Investigators (*ITAI*)



- Examination and identification of stolen vehicles and plant
- Certificated Automotive Engineer
- Fellowship & Membership of the Institute of the Motor Industry (*IMI*)
- Membership of the Institute of Road Transport Engineers (IRTE)
- Membership of the Society of Operations Engineers (MSOE)
- Special brake training for ABS & LGV braking systems
- Tyre Examination Methods for Police Accident Investigators - Michelin
- EDCRASH & AI-Damage Operation (crush damage analysis to assess vehicle speed)
- RELMO 3D forensic mapping and animation package
- Graduate & Licentiates of the City and Guilds of London Institute (*C&G*)
- Registered Engineering Technician with the Engineering Council UK
- Electronic Stability Program (ESP) Body control systems
- Previous authorisation by VOSA to examine & prohibit un-roadworthy vehicles
- Technical training by Mercedes-Benz, BMW and Bosch
- Tachograph installation & calibration

## Frequently asked questions

#### Tell me about yourselves....

FVIC is a partnership of experts skilled in the investigation of all types of road and vehicle related incidents. Our backgrounds are from either UK Police or the motor trade and we have received appropriate training, hold recognised qualifications and membership of professional bodies. We have extensive experience, are fully proficient and are accepted as expert witnesses.

#### Tell me what you can provide....

We provide professional forensic investigations into road traffic accidents and other vehicle related incidents. We also provide vehicle and component examinations, accident consistency, accident repair and valuation inspections.

We provide clear, concise and technically accurate reports and expert testimony for the benefit of the courts for the prosecution or defence in criminal cases, and for the claimant or defendant in civil cases.

We aim to provide a prompt efficient quality service to our clients by maintaining caseloads at manageable levels. We pride ourselves on our professionalism and quality of our service to our clients.

#### How do you work ?

We will personally visit each accident scene/ incident locations and photograph and measure as required.

Wherever possible accident vehicles involved will be examined and photographed.

#### Tell me about your reports....

We aim to produce technical reports in clear understandable English and in a logical sequence. The reports make use of plans and photographs as appropriate. All photographs are numbered and indexed.

Plans may include digital Ordnance Survey map data and on site surveys are produced using the latest surveying technology.

All our reports comply with Criminal and Civil Procedure Rules.



From the outset the appropriate expert will investigate the incident. Written reports are fully quality assured inhouse to ensure continued accuracy and validation.

#### Why should I consider using your services ?

We provide full professional consultancy services using only skilled, experienced experts who hold relevant qualifications. Our experts fully understand their duty to the court and abide by the Criminal / Civil Procedure Rules.

We do not accept instructions based on the outcome of cases.

#### Where do you work?

We will undertake instructions to investigate incidents anywhere but we specialise mainly in investigating incidents in the North of England.

#### Reviews....

We will happily discuss an incident or review papers at no cost before providing an estimate of the costing for a full report.

#### What are your fees?

Fees are charged on an hourly rate whilst working on an investigation. A reduced rate is charged for travelling times to and from accident scenes, vehicle inspections, court and other venues along with a mileage charge. Any other charges arising are charged accordingly. Our charges are in line with the industry standard rates.

Before commencing any work we will on request provide written estimates of the charges.

### **Contact Us**

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