

June 13, 2022

IIU investigating serious injuries following attempted traffic stop by Winkler Police Service

The Independent Investigation Unit (IIU) is investigating the circumstances surrounding serious injuries being sustained by a male following an attempted traffic stop by a Winkler Police Service officer.

On June 8, 2022, Winkler Police notified the IIU of an incident that occurred that day at 6:30 p.m., when a Winkler Police officer attempted to conduct a traffic stop on the operator of a dirt bike on a roadway within the city of Winkler. According to the notification, the suspect fled and subsequently struck a concrete curb, at which time the operator lost control and was ejected from the dirt bike. The driver of the dirt bike sustained a broken wrist as a result of the incident and was treated and released from hospital.

As a broken wrist is defined as a serious injury, the IIU is mandated to investigate.

Witnesses or other individuals who have information or video footage that may assist this investigation are asked to contact the IIU toll free at 1-844-667-6060.

The investigation is ongoing so no further details will be provided at this time.

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