

ALABAMA JUSTICE INFORMATION COMMISSION
ADMINISTRATIVE CODECHAPTER 265-X-8
UNIFORM CRIME REPORTS (UCR) NATIONAL INCIDENT BASED REPORTING
SYSTEM (NIBRS)

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265-X-8-.01 Purpose.

(1) The purpose of this Rule is to provide uniform directions to all law enforcement agencies for the submission of crime data related to incidents, offenses and arrests to be used in the NIBRS submission to the FBI CJIS Division.

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265-X-8-.02 Definitions.

(1) **National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS)** - A system implemented by FBI CJIS to improve the overall quality of crime data collected by law enforcement in the United States. This system captures details on each crime incident—as well as separate offenses within the same incident.

(2) **Criminal Justice Agencies.** State, county, tribal, and municipal public agencies within Alabama that perform substantial activities or planning for activities relating to the identification, apprehension, prosecution, adjudication, or rehabilitation of civil, traffic, and criminal offenders.

(3) **Law Enforcement Agency.** A state, county, municipal or tribal public agency within Alabama State, county and municipal public agencies within Alabama charged with the enforcement of any laws and the officers or employees of which have power to make arrests.

(4) **Criminal Justice Information (CJI).** Data necessary for criminal justice agencies to perform their duties and enforce existing law. This term includes biometric, identity history,

person, organization, property, when accompanied by any personally identifiable information, case/incident history data, and any other data deemed criminal justice information by the FBI CJIS Security Policy. The term also includes ALEA-provided or FBI CJIS-provided data necessary to make hiring decisions.

(5) **Personal identifying information (PII).** Information that can be used to distinguish or trace an individual's identity, either alone or when combined with other personal or identifying information that is linked or linkable to a specific individual. PII includes names, gender, race, date of birth, photographs, addresses, social security numbers, driver's license numbers, or biometric data.

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265-X-8-.03 Uniform Crime Reports (UCR) Submission Date.

(1) Every law enforcement agency will submit UCR Data by the fifth business day of each month. Such data shall be submitted through one of the following methods:

(a) Directly through ALEA's provided software

(b) Through a third-party vendor utilizing an ALEA-approved application programming interface (API).

(2) The ALEA CJIS Division will submit UCR Data to the FBI Crime and Law Enforcement Statistics Unit by the fifteenth of each month complying with FBI submission deadlines and submission rules.

(3) Submitting Agencies will have until the fifth business day of the next reporting month to correct errors identified by the ALEA CJIS Division or the FBI and remain within FBI error tolerances.

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