

On Scene Interview Prompts

1. Introduction

- Present yourself and the objective of your work
- Make a clear distinction from police, insurance and other legal matters
- Insist on the utility of accidents studies (to find out countermeasures) and on the interview as part of it
- Confidentiality and voluntary participation

2. Description of events

- *Please tell me what happened* (let the person free to express, as long as she does. then come back on the different point to get more precision)
- At the different phase : Driving context – Driving situation – Rupture – Emergency - Crash
- Description of the facts (reciprocal movements, maneuvers, speed, way of proceeding, etc., of the different road users involved)
- Perception of the events (information gathering, evaluations, understanding, diagnosis, expectations, surprises, risk felt, etc.)
- Reactions (when, where)

3. Context of the route

- Mood - ambiance in the car
- Temporal constraints
- Knowledge of the route (automatic driving? Searching directions?)
- Secondary task (discussing, thinking to concerns, manipulating, etc.)
- Level of vigilance (fatigue, drowsiness, stress, etc.)
- Attention directed to what specific parts of the situation (which side, which vehicle, etc.)

4. Difficulties met

- Regarding the infrastructure (friction, complexity, visibility, etc.)
- Regarding the vehicle driven (blind spots, brake, control, etc.)
- Regarding the other road users' behavior

5. Contact information

- Take address and phone number