

*Approved by Director: Dr. Guy Vallaro*

A. Purpose:

To outline the steps taken to report findings and conclusions.

B. Responsibility:

Forensic Examiners

C. Definitions/Abbreviations:

Refer to CC SOP-26 - Definitions and Abbreviations.

D. Procedure:

1. Use Computer Crimes Report Template (QR-CC-10) when entering finding and conclusions based on the analysis of digital evidence. A "DRAFT" watermark will be included to indicate that the report is at the draft level. The draft level indicates the end of analysis and needs to be initialed and dated by the examiner upon completion.
  - a. The suggested font style set for this report is Times New Roman 12. Exceptions to this would be when information in the report needs to be displayed in its native format for presentation, for example, an internet chat.
2. Fill in the Computer Crimes Report (QR-CC-10) Template fields as outlined below:
  - a. Laboratory Case # - Use the **Laboratory Case #** as represented on the Evidence Receipt. Do not truncate.
  - b. Agency - Use the **Name of Submitting Agency** as represented on the Request For Analysis (SOP-ER-02:1) form. In addition, include the address of the submitting agency in the report header.
  - c. Agency Case # - Use the **Agency Case #** as represented on the Request For Analysis (SOP-ER-02:1) form.
  - d. Request for Analysis - Select from Appendix A - Requests for Analysis.
  - e. Evidence Submitted - List any evidence that was examined in the case. Document the **Submission #** and **Description** of the evidence as it appears on the Evidence Receipt.
  - f. Findings and Conclusions of Examination - Record the findings and conclusions in a numbered order to reflect the following:
    - i. Address each specific request for analysis accurately, clearly, unambiguously and objectively. In the case of a proficiency test, the examiner should answer each question posed by the proficiency provider on the report.
    - ii. Include submission number(s) where evidentiary findings were recovered.
    - iii. Address each item of evidence listed and analysis conducted along with results. Indicate if no analysis was conducted on an item (may include reason for no analysis).
  - g. Examiner - The individual assigned to conduct the analysis as indicated in the Request for Analysis.

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- h. Reviewer - The individual assigned to the Technical Review
3. Create any attachments that will accompany the report. Cut and paste functions will not be utilized for case specific information during the creation of an electronic reporting format.
  4. Upon draft report completion, update the JusticeTrax system (LIMS) to reflect that the request now is at the milestone of "Draft Complete".
  5. Submit the report along with the case file to the section supervisor or designee for technical review assignment.
  6. Upon completion of the technical review and administrative review, the final report with the signatures and final date of report will be uploaded into Justice Trax.

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