



Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) Accident Reports, 1933–1942

The Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) provided work for unemployed youths, and to a lesser extent, for war veterans and Native Americans. Allotments from the enrollees' salaries provided income to their families. The CCC performed over 150 types of work, most of which involved the protection, restoration, improvement, utilization, and maintenance of natural resources, both Federal and state.

The CCC's Division of Safety operated the Corps' safety program, including health, sanitation, fire prevention, and compensation. It also conducted investigations of accidents involving CCC enrollees. The resulting accident reports are located in the Records of the Civilian Conservation Corps (Record Group 35).

Textual Records

___ **Reports of Proceedings of Boards of Officers, 1937–40** (PI 11, Entry 117). The records are arranged alphabetically by the surname of the enrollee, beginning with Mahon and running through Zink. The other surnames were not among the records when the National Archives accessioned them.

Regulations required that a board of officers review the facts concerning the death of enrollees and conclude whether the accident occurred in the line of duty, was the result of misconduct, or was unrelated to service in the Corps. A few reports pertain to nonfatal injuries. In addition to the reports, there are often affidavits, statements of witnesses, death certificates, copies of service records, and other exhibits. Not all files contain all of these documents.

___ **Official Reports of Injury, 1937–40** (PI 11, Entry 118). The records are arranged alphabetically by the surname of the enrollee, beginning with Mahler and running through Zyskowski. The other surnames were not among the records when the National Archives accessioned them.

The CCC sent a form titled "Official Report of Injury to Member of Civilian Conservation Corps" to the U.S. Employees' Compensation Commission in all cases when a person was disabled for more than 15 days by a traumatic injury while on duty, suffered any permanent disability as a result of the injury, or died from any cause. The reports include statements by the injured employee, his immediate supervisor, any witnesses, officials, and the attending physician. Not all files contain all of these documents.

___ **Accident Reports, 1933–42** (PI 11, Entry 119). Arranged in chronological segments: 1933–36, 1937–40, and 1940–42; and then alphabetically by surname. The first chronological segment only includes surnames A through Carter; the other surnames were not among the records when the National Archives accessioned them.

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The records consist of correspondence about accidents and occasionally about disability compensations. Reports on fatal accidents are accompanied by reports of proceedings of a board of officers. There are files on nonfatal accidents as well. Not all files contain all of these documents.

Electronic Finding Aids

The Archives staff created a database to help locate files among these records. It indexes the over 7,600 case files in these three entries and is searchable by surname. It is available at the National Archives at College Park, Maryland, and through NARA's web site (www.archives.gov) by searching the Online Public Access catalog (OPA).

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