

STATEWIDE MEETING: QUESTION/ANSWER

We have been told in the past that if the offender tells the victim that "they are going to kill them" or if the victim says "I couldn't breathe" that we could also consider that an aggravated assault even if there are no weapons?

For all assaults it is important to review them on a case-by-case basis. To report an Aggravated Assault (13A), one of the three considerations must be met:

- 1. Use or Display of a Dangerous Weapon.*
- 2. Seriousness of injury.*
- 3. Intent and Capability of the Offender to cause serious injury or death.*

To help guide this determination, it is recommended to review the narrative of the incident to determine if any of the three above considerations are met.

UCR Staff is happy to assist with questions and talk through incidents. As another resource, the course [Simplifying Assaults](#), takes a deeper dive into each Assault classification and the appropriate reporting guidelines for 13A, 13B and 13C.

Can we get clarification on the Hotel Rule for the Multiple Premises Quality Assurance emails?

The Hotel Rule is an additional data element that applies to burglaries of hotels, motels, lodging houses or rental storage facilities. This means that when a hotel, motel, lodging houses or a rental storage facility is the object of the Burglary, the agency should report the number of premises (rooms, suites, units or storage compartments) burglarized in the Number of Premises Entered (Data Element 10).

This means even if multiple locations within a building, storage facility, etc. are burglarized, the agency should report the Burglary as one single incident.

Example: *If a storage unit facility is broken into, and five units were burglarized, one incident would be reported with five premises entered reported.*

When a Multiple Premise Quality Assurance Email is sent to your agency, please complete a review of the identified incident(s) to determine if the number of units entered is accurate. Once the review is complete, a response is required that states the incident has been verified as accurate, or a modification is/will be made.

In the example above, the number of premises should reflect five and not the unit number of the burglary. A common error seen statewide is the unit number, not the number of premises burglarized, is entered in this field.