

Motorcyclist escapes serious injury in Wednesday wreck

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MIDDLETOWN – A motorcyclist sustained minor injuries in a Wednesday afternoon collision with a pickup, escaping serious injury thanks an evasive maneuver that took the rider and bike under the truck.

The accident occurred at about 2:44 p.m. according to the California Highway Patrol's incident logs.

CHP Officer Adam Garcia said late Wednesday that the crash took place on Highway 29 in Middletown near the junction with Highway 175.

Garcia said a preliminary investigation indicated that the collision occurred whn a 2002 Ford Ranger traveling southbound on Highway 29 began to make a left turn directly in front of a 2007 Honda motorcycle, which the pickup's driver failed to notice approaching.

The motorcycle rider took evasive action, Garcia said, and laid the motorcycle down onto its side and slid under the Ford.

Garcia said the motorcycle rider was transported to Redbud Hospital by ambulance with minor injuries.

He said the names of the drivers involded were not available Wednesday afternoon.

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