



Incident onset date
04/16/2026

Incident onset time
18:42:21

Incident number
[REDACTED]

Primary incident type
Aircraft emergency

Additional incident type(s)
Motor vehicle collision

Actions taken
Patient assessment, Investigation, Damage assessment

Dispatch

Was the call an automatic alarm? No

Aid given or received

Was fire department aid given or received? No

Agency assignment

Division
MTAA Fire Department

Station
Metropolitan Topeka Airport Authority

Shift
A Shift

Report writer
[REDACTED]

Quality control
[REDACTED]

NARRATIVE

Describe the final outcomes of the incident.

On 4/16/2026, MTAA Fire Department was dispatched for report of an aircraft collision with a gate at Billard Airport. Initial reports indicated the aircraft collision occurred off the active surfaces, no injuries were being reported, and the aircraft was shut down. Upon arrival, E1 verified no hazards present, and began patient assessment (1 aircraft occupant - pilot). Crash 7 arrived on scene and assumed incident command and obtained pilot and flight information. The aircraft, a Cessna 172K (N84794), piloted by student pilot Thomas Kensinger, sustained damage to both wings when the pilot attempted to taxi through the gate located on the access road near the Kansas Highway Patrol Hangar. When asked to recount the moments before impact with the gate, the pilot stated, "to be honest, I forgot I had wings."

The aircraft was documented, then released to the owner by Ops 2. Small amounts of debris from the mostly-intact wings was secured and placed inside the aircraft cabin before it was removed from the scene by the aircraft owner. Engine 1 and Crash 7 then returned to service.

LOCATION

Incident address
3600 NE SARDOU Avenue

City
Topeka

State
Kansas

Postal code
66616

Latitude
39.0673

Longitude
-95.6282

Location type and usage

Location use

Transportation station / hub / area (Airport / bus / train / passenger terminal)

Is the location in active use? Yes

Is location used as intended? Yes

Does the location have a secondary use type that impacted incident response? No

People and displacement

Were any people present at the location? No



INCIDENT TIMES



Dispatch call arrival: 04/16/2026 @ 18:40:36



Dispatch call open: 04/16/2026 @ 18:40:36



Incident command established: 04/16/2026 @ 19:10:51



Incident clear: 04/16/2026 @ 20:07:00



UNITS

Unit name: AE1

Unit report writer



Dispatch: 04/16/2026 @ 18:45:53



Enroute: 04/16/2026 @ 18:46:03



On scene: 04/16/2026 @ 18:59:42



At patient: 04/16/2026 @ 19:00:21



Cleared: 04/16/2026 @ 19:21:23

RESPONSE TIMES

Turnout time

00:00:10

Travel time

00:13:39

Response time

00:13:49

Arrival to clear time

00:21:41

Personnel

Name

Unit narrative

See core narrative.

Unit name: ACR7

Response mode to scene
Emergent

Unit report writer
[REDACTED]

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-  On scene: 04/16/2026 @ 19:10:51
-  Cleared: 04/16/2026 @ 20:07:00

RESPONSE TIMES

Response time	Arrival to clear time
00:28:30	00:56:09

Personnel

Name

Badger, Aaron | 671

Unit narrative

See core narrative.



Suppression appliance(s)
None

Water supply
None

Investigation needed Other

Outdoor

Conditions on arrival
Unable to be determined

Acres burned
0.0000



Patient 1

PCR number
[REDACTED]

Patient evaluation of care
Patient evaluated, no care required

Transportation disposition
No transport