Utah AMBER Alert Updates

Utah AMBER Plan

Administered through the Department of Public Safety, Utah Bureau of Criminal Identification

Utah Background

- Utah adopted the AMBER Alert plan April 2, 2002
- Originally known as Rachael Alert
- Utah was the 9th state to adopt a statewide plan
- First Rachael Alert June 5, 2002
- 59 AMBER Alerts

Utah AMBER Alert Entry

Reminders

- MANDATORY to call the UCJIS Help Desk at **801-503-5566** to let us know your agency may be or is sending an AMBER Alert
  - This number is for AMBER Alerts ONLY
  - Do not wait until you are sending the Alert to call DPSCIC
- The agency is responsible to enter, modify and cancel their AMBER Alerts through UCJIS

Reminders

- Only information that will assist the media and the public should be added to the Alert
- The AMBER Alert will stay active until it is cancelled
  - No expiration
- For assistance call the UCJIS Help Desk at 801-965-4446

Law Enforcement Sensitive Information

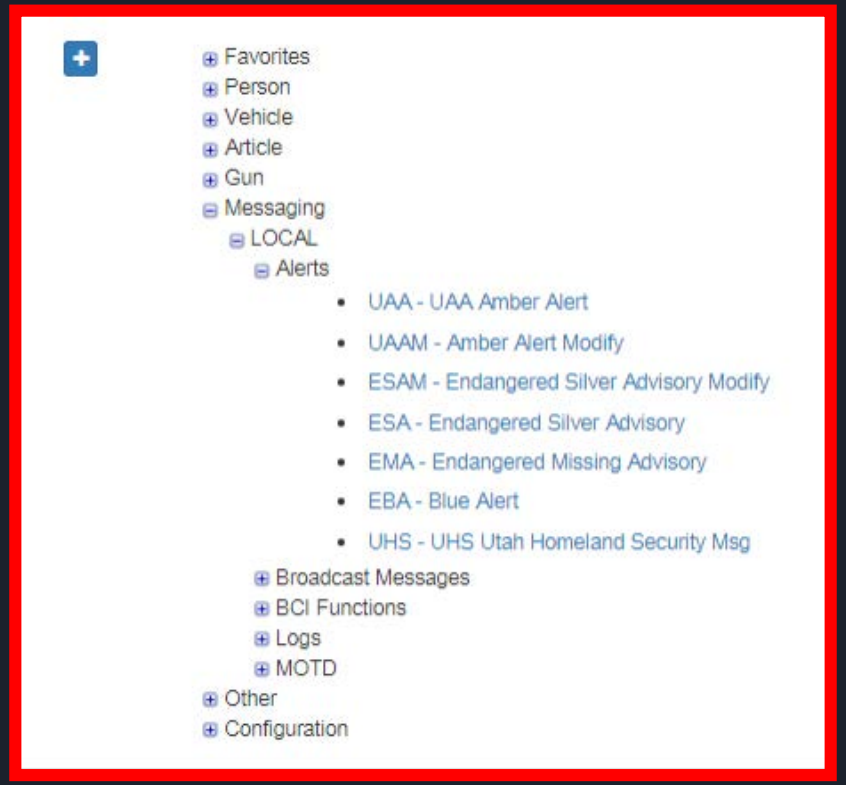
- NO Law Enforcement sensitive information should be added to the AMBER Alert e.g. social security numbers, addresses, sexual orientation, driver's license numbers or criminal history
- A broadcast message should be utilized for that information

Criteria for AMBER Alert

- Law enforcement believes it is a child abduction?
- 17 years of age or younger?
- Imminent danger, serious bodily injury or death?
- Information to assist the public in the safe recovery of the victim or apprehension of the suspect?

Utah AMBER Alert Protocol

- Criteria is met
- Law enforcement authorization
- **MANDATORY call to the UCJIS Help Desk at 801-503-5566**
- UAA transaction on UCJIS entered by agency or dispatch center
- AMBER Alert transmitted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UAA - UAA Amber Alert
UAAM - Amber Alert Modify
ESAM - Endangered Silver Advisory Modify
ESA - Endangered Silver Advisory
EMA - Endangered Missing Advisory
EBA - Blue Alert
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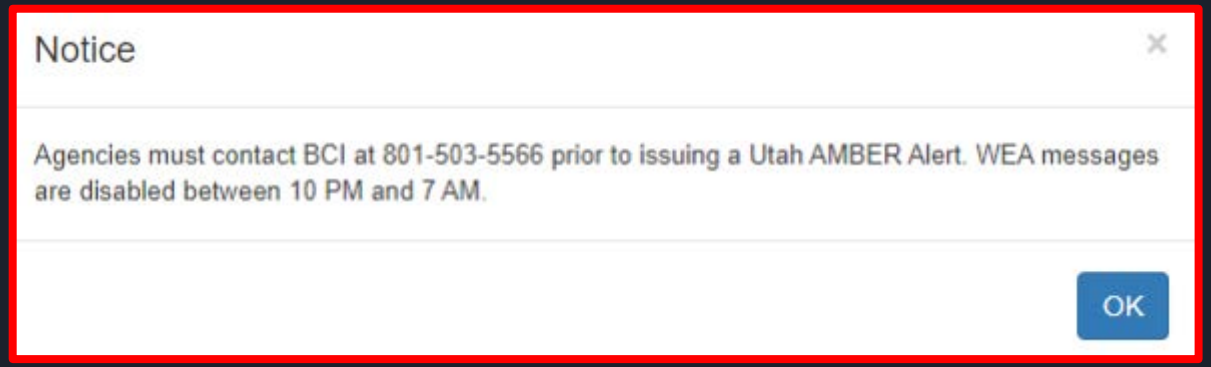

Notice
Agencies must contact BCI at 801-503-5566 prior to issuing a Utah AMBER Alert. WEA messages are disabled between 10 PM and 7 AM.
OK

Agency Information

- Agency phone number should be a number the media and public can contact
- Authorizing administrator will be the person responsible for authorizing the AMBER Alert

  e.g. Lieutenant, Chief or Sheriff

Utah Amber Alert

WEA messages are disabled between 10 PM and 7 AM.

Current time is NOT within blackout window - WEA message WILL be sent!

Authorization

ORI: * UTBCI0000-UT BUREAU OF CRIM IDENT

Contact phone number: * 8019654446

Authorizing Administrator: * CPT GREG

* Do NOT activate an AMBER ALERT if the answer is NO to any of these questions.

** The alert is not to be used for cases involving custodial disputes or runaways that don't meet the criteria.

*** This message will immediately go to law enforcement, the media, and the public.

(•) Yes ( ) No — Is this believed to be a child abduction?: *

(•) Yes ( ) No — Is this child 17 years of age or younger?: *

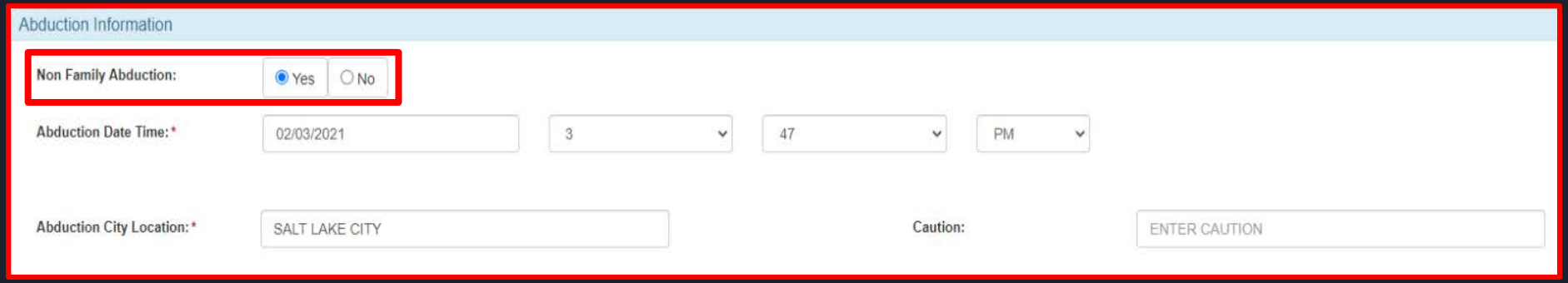
(•) Yes ( ) No — Is the victim believed to be facing imminent danger, bodily harm or death?: *

(•) Yes ( ) No — Is there information that could assist the public in the safe recovery of the victim or apprehension of a suspect?: *

Abduction Information

- Date and time should be the exact time of the abduction
  - AM/PM has been added and no military time can be entered now
- Abduction location should not be the exact location of the abduction
- NIC # is not mandatory, but the child should already be entered into NCIC
- Caution would pertain to the suspect

Abduction Information



UAA Victim

- All descriptors are **NCIC** format
- DOB and/or age is required but not both
  - When DOB is not known but there is an approximate age then you would use AGE field
- Name format is first name last name e.g. Yogi Bear
- Special needs and clothing are free text
- Special needs would describe medications, disabilities or other life threatening issues for the victim

Victim Information

Victim

Name: * TEST VICTIM

Date of Birth: 01/01/2021

Age (years): ENTER AGE

Height: * (FEET) 1 (INCHES) 02

Weight: * 015

Eye Color: * BROWN

Hair Color: * BLACK

Race: * UNKNOWN

Gender of Victim: * FEMALE

Clothing: ENTER CLOTHING

Medical Needs: ENTER NEEDS

Image: Choose File No file chosen

UAA Suspect or POI

- Name does not have to be known (would include the victim fields)
- Descriptors are **NCIC** format
- Identifying marks may include all SMT's or additional features

Suspect / Person of Interest Information

Suspect

Type:	SUSPECT	**Name:**	TEST SUSPECT
Date of Birth:	02/02/1990	**Age (years):**	31
Height:	(FEET) 5 (INCHES) 09	**Weight:**	ENTER WEIGHT
		Eye Color:	BLUE
		Hair Color:	BLACK
Race:	UNKNOWN	**Gender:**	FEMALE

Clothing: ENTER CLOTHING

Marks: ENTER MARKS

Image: Choose File No file chosen

Vehicle

- If a partial plate is all that is known you can add the PP
- If there is no additional descriptors available on the vehicle utilize the identifier field for dents, dings, cracked windshield etc.
- The vehicle information is the first piece of information that is shown on an AMBER Alert

Vehicle Information

Vehicle

License Plate Number: AAA111

License Plate State: UT - UTAH

Vehicle Year: 2012

Avoid Abbreviations!

Vehicle Make: DODGE

Avoid Abbreviations!

Vehicle Model: RAM

Avoid Abbreviations!

Vehicle Color: RED

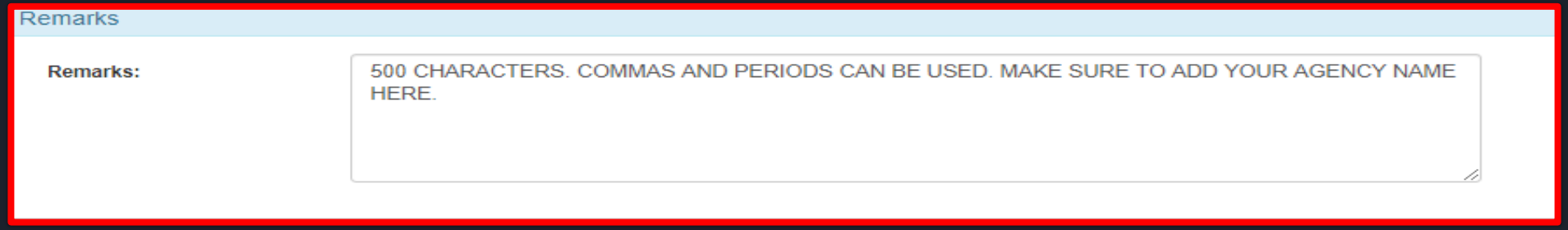
Identifiers (such as: Dents and Dings): ENTER IDENTIFIERS ABOUT VEHICLE

Image: Choose File No file chosen

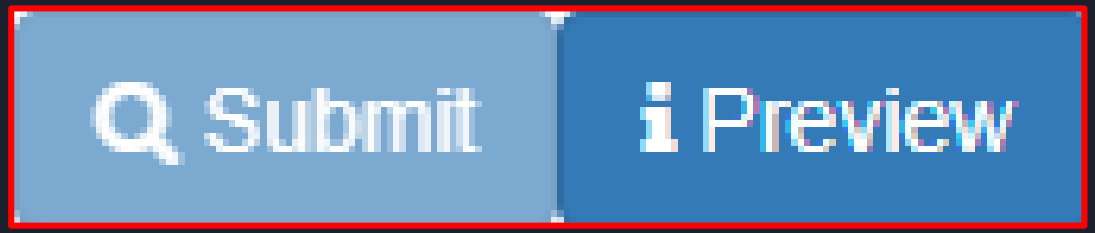
UAA Remarks

- Required field
- Up to 500 characters for all pertinent information regarding the AMBER Alert
- Make sure to add the name of your agency
- Free text

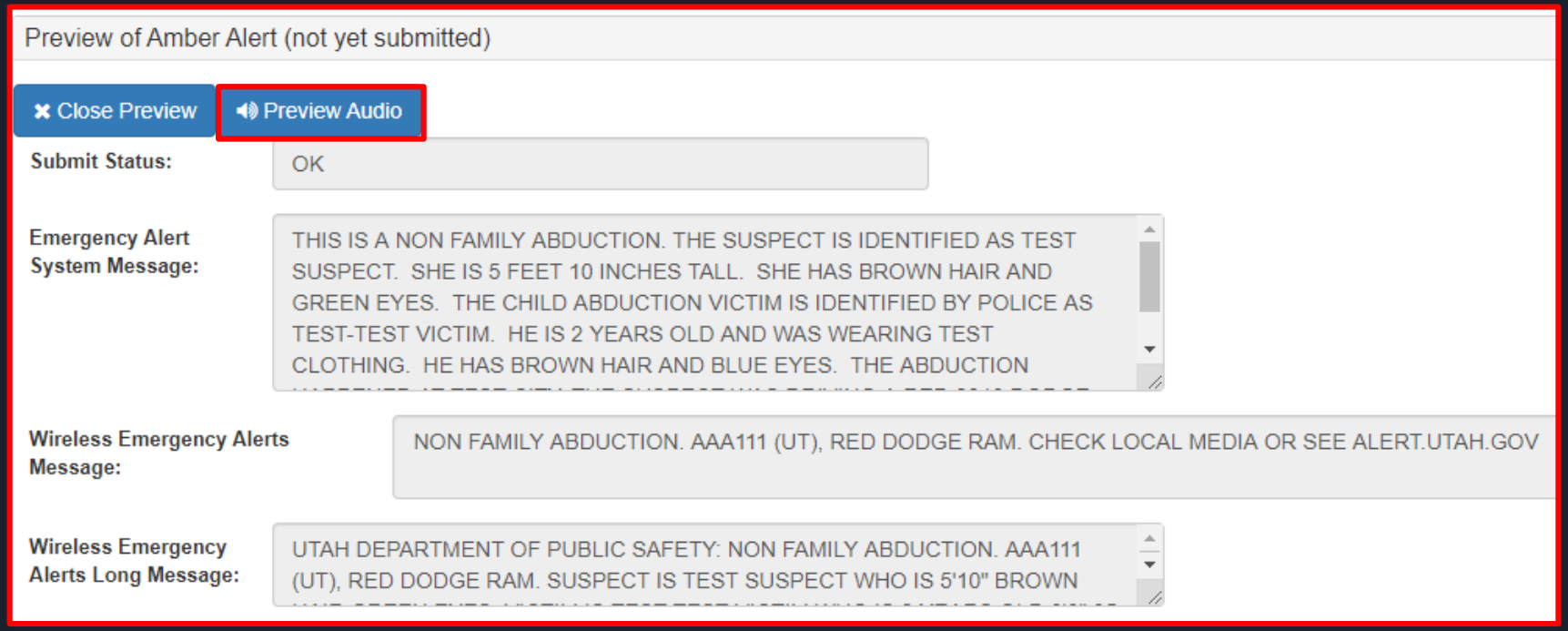
UAA Remarks


Remarks
Remarks:
500 CHARACTERS. COMMAS AND PERIODS CAN BE USED. MAKE SURE TO ADD YOUR AGENCY NAME HERE.

Preview Before Submitting



Preview of AMBER Alert



Preview of AMBER Alert

TESTTEST**TEST**TEST**

Utah AMBER Alert Issued

Non Family Abduction

Preview of AMBER Alert

DATE: TUE FEB 09, 2021 @ 02:25 PM MST

LOCATION: TEST CITY

CONTACT: UTAH DEPARTMENT OF PUB IC S FETY AT 80109654446 OR SIMP LY DIAL 9-1-1

DESC: 500 CHARACTERS. COM AS AND PE IODS CAN BE USED. ADD YO UR AGENCY NAME HE

TEST ALERT

Vehicle #1

PLATE: AAA111 (UT)

COLOR: RED

YEAR: 2013

MAKE: DODGE

MODEL: RAM

Suspect #1

NAME: TEST SUSPECT

BIRTH: 02/04/1995

AGE: 26

SEX: FEMALE

RACE: UNKNOWN

HEIGHT: 5'10"

HAIR: BROWN

EYES: GREEN

Preview of AMBER Alert

Victim #1

NAME:	TEST-TEST VICTIM
BIRTH:	01/01/2019
AGE:	2
SEX:	MALE
RACE:	UNKNOWN
HEIGHT:	3'3"
WEIGHT:	35 LBS
HAIR:	BROWN
EYES:	BLUE
CLOTHING:	TEST CLOTHING

Submitted Response

AMBER ALERT
CALL 511
CHECK NEWS

UTAH AMBER ALERT ACTIVATED

Inbox x

UCJIS_MESSAGE_SYSTEM@utah.gov
to UCJIS_MESSAGE_.

Categorize this message as: Personal

UTAH AMBER ALERT ACTIVATED
ABDUCTION Date/Time/Loc: 02-13-2016 08:59 AM TALK ABOUT THIS

VEHICLE/ COLOR/ORANGE LIC/MYPLATE STATE/AR
OTHER VEHICLE IDENTIFIERS/ORANGE RUST BUCKET. SIDE MIRRORS HANGING BY A THREAD

SUSPECT/JAKE FROM STATE FARM AGE/42
HGT/503 WGT/210 HAIR/GRY EYE/BRO SEX/M RACE/U
CLOTHING/KHAKIS
OTHER IDENTIFIERS/SMT'S

VICTIM/TEST-AMBER ALERT AGE/3
HGT/200 WGT/50 HAIR/BLK EYE/BRO SEX/U RACE/U
CLOTHING/CLOTHING THE VICTIMS ARE WEARING.
SPECIAL NEEDS/MEDICATION OR MEDICAL DEVICES

REMARKS/
500 CHARACTERS. YOU CAN USE PERIODS AND COMMAS. MAKE SURE YOU ADD YOUR AGENCY NAME (UTAH BUREAU OF CRIMINAL IDENTIFICATION)

TEST FOR PRESENTATIONN

ORI/UTBCI0000
AGENCY/BCIFS
SUBMITTER/gmcneilt
AUTHORIZING ADMINISTRATOR/LT. DAN
PHONE/8019654686
CAUTION/KNOWN TO CARRY WEAPONS
IMAGE(S) AVAILABLE AT/USUALLY NOT USED

Click here to Reply or Forward

Modify AMBER Alert

- UAAM
- Select your active AMBER Alert
- You will use this same process if you have to modify the Alert several times

UAAM

Amber Alerts

	Abduction Date	Victim	Location	Issued By	Issued Agency	Issued Date	Issued ORI
View IPAWS	01-27-2021 09:33	TEST-TEST	TEST	cburnst	DPSMIS	01-27-2021 09:34	UTBCI0000
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View IPAWS	12-16-2020 12:32	TEST-VICTIM	FAKE PLACE	cburnst	DPSMIS	12-16-2020 12:35	UTBCI0000
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UCJIS Home | UAAML ✖

Results ✖ | TEST-TEST 395 ✖

Utah Amber Alert

Created by ovaisima on 02/03/2021 16:39:26

WEA message for this Amber Alert has NOT been sent!

SEND WEA

Authorization

Contact phone number: * 9998887777

Authorizing Administrator: * TEST ADMIN

Abduction Information

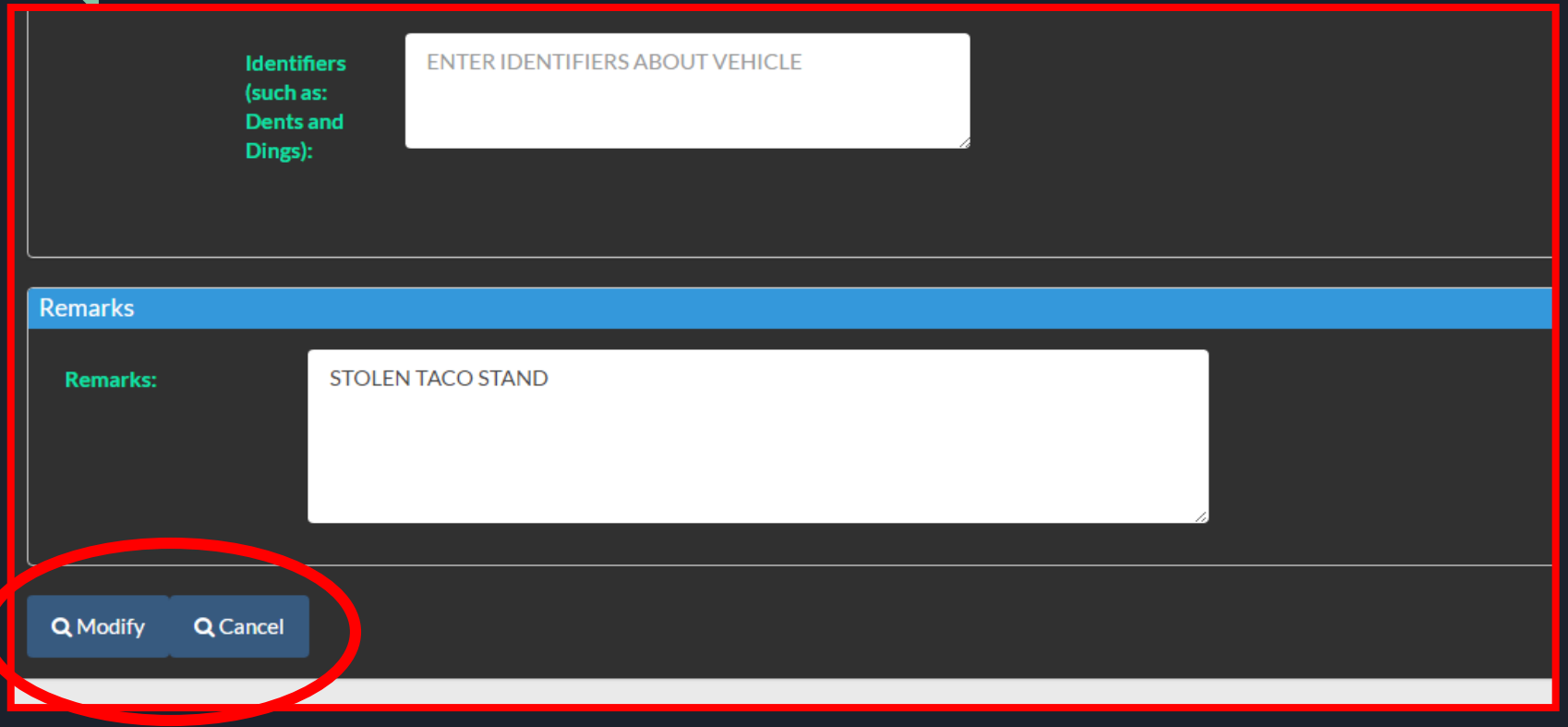
Non Family Abduction: (•) Yes ( ) No

Abduction Date Time: * 01/27/2021 | 9 | 33 | AM

Abduction Location: * TEST

Caution: ENTER CAUTION

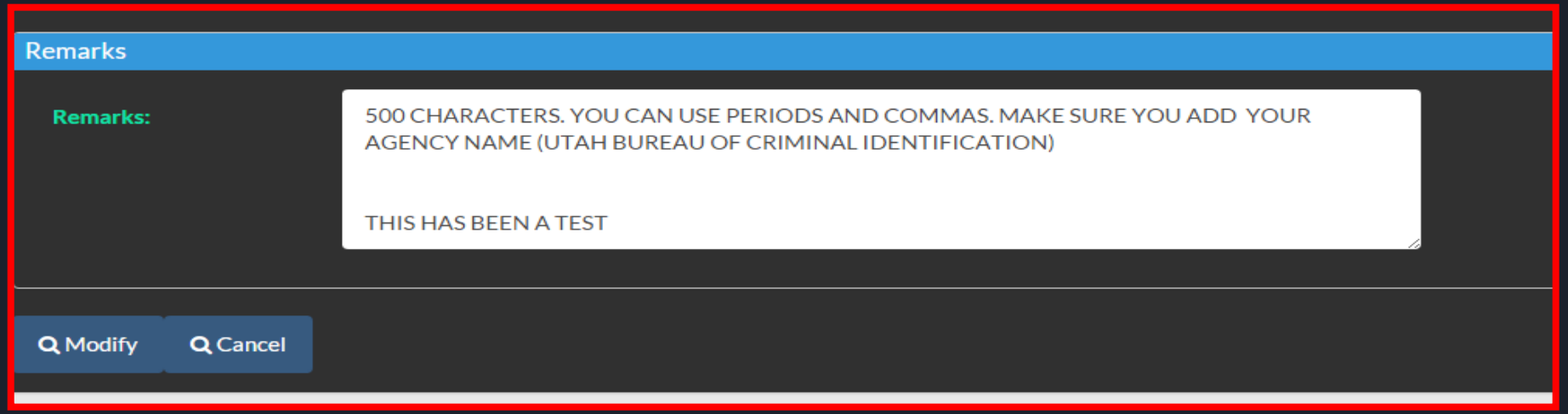
Modify vs Cancel



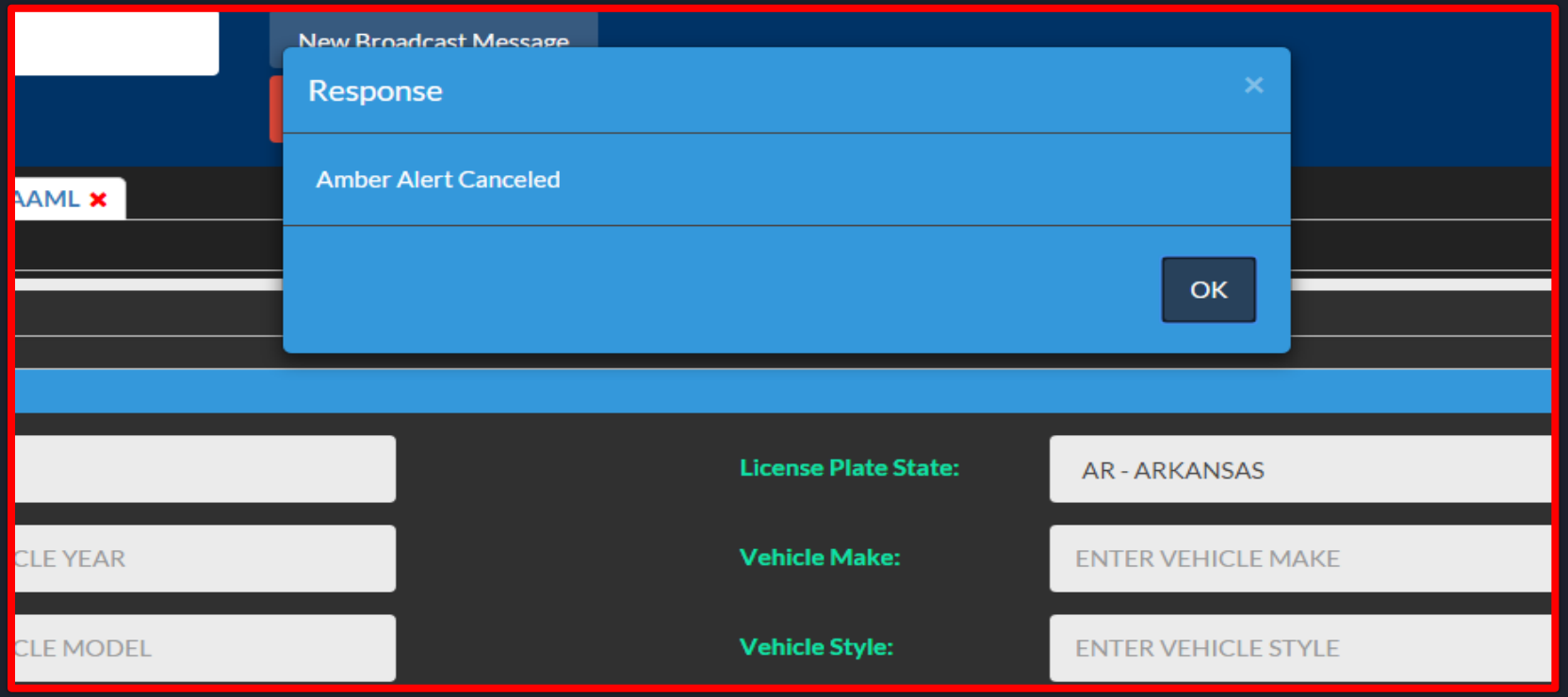
Cancel

- You will use the same procedure to cancel the AMBER Alert (UAAM)
- Use the remarks field to update the cancellation e.g. “The AMBER Alert for BCI is being cancelled. Child has been located safely. Thank you”
- When you click cancel, a notification will appear at the top of the screen asking you if you are sure you want to cancel the alert

Cancel



When you cancel a notice will appear asking you if you want to cancel the AMBER Alert


New Broadcast Message
Response
Amber Alert Canceled
OK
AAML
License Plate State:
AR - ARKANSAS
CLE YEAR
Vehicle Make:
ENTER VEHICLE MAKE
CLE MODEL
Vehicle Style:
ENTER VEHICLE STYLE

Cancel

- If you have difficulty cancelling your AMBER Alert (error message or UCJIS issue) you need to contact CIC immediately and ask them to force a cancellation
- Make sure you document the error you receive so there can be follow up by BCI

NCIC Entry

- The abducted child should be entered into NCIC
  - It is not mandatory before issuing the AMBER Alert
- CA (child abduction) should be added in the MNP field until the AMBER Alert is issued
  - Once issued it should be modified to AA
  - The caveat will read: AMBER Alert issued for this child

AMBER ALERTISSUED FOR NIC/MXXXXXXXXX***AMBER ALERT***

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1L0100193484
UTBCI0000

***MESSAGE KEY QW SEARCHES WANTED PERSON FILE FELONY RECORDS REGARDLESS OF
EXTRADITION AND MISDEMEANOR RECORDS INDICATING POSSIBLE EXTRADITION FROM THE
INQUIRING AGENCY'S LOCATION.  ALL OTHER NCIC PERSONS FILES ARE SEARCHED
WITHOUT LIMITATIONS.
***AMBER ALERT***ISSUED FOR NIC/M580030731***AMBER ALERT***

MKE/MISSING PERSON ENDANGERED - CAUTION
MEDICATION REQUIRED
ORI/UTBCI0000 NAM/TEST,IMA SEX/F RAC/U POB/UT DOB/19960211
HGT/402 WGT/098 EYE/BLU HAI/BLN
MNP/AA DLC/20090528 OCA/TEST123
NOA/N
DNA/N
ORI IS UT BU CRIM IDENT SALT LAKE 435 835-2345
NIC/M580030731 DTE/20090528 1238 EDT DLU/20090528 1238 EDT


END OF RECORD
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NLETS
Out of state requests

NLETS AA

- DPSCIC are the only one that can send an NLETS AMBER Alert
- If the Suspect or Person of Interest may travel out of state call DPSCIC at 801-965-4446 and request they issue an NLETS AMBER Alert to surrounding states or nationwide

AMBER Alert Updates & Reminders

AMBER Alert Reminders

- If your agency issues an AMBER Alert, you will be contacted by BCI for an AMBER Review
- AMBER Review
  - Reviewing events that led up to issuance of the AMBER Alert
  - Did it meet the criteria?
  - Were there any issues?
  - Any suggestions to make the process better?

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AMBER Alert Updates

- WEA is now automatic from 7AM-10 PM
- Blackout window 10 PM-7 AM
  - A WEA can still be requested during the blackout window. Notify the Help Desk that you would like a WEA issued and the On Call AMBER Alert Coordinator will contact you

AMBER Alert Updates

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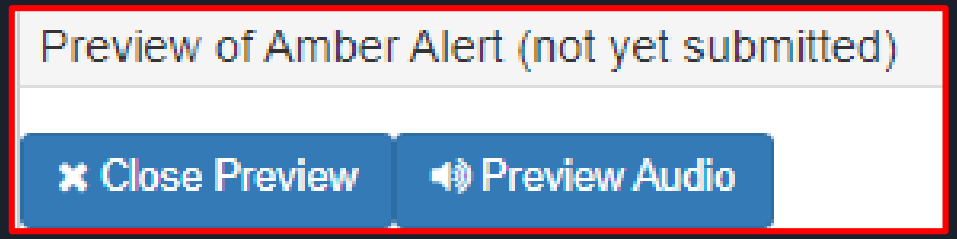
Utah AMBER Alert Issued

Non Family Abduction

AMBER Alert Updates

- Audio is now available and can be previewed before submitting



AMBER Alert Resources

Utah CART Team

- Utah CART Team is available at your disposal if your agency issues an AMBER Alert

- They are available 24/7

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