

NIBRS Tip of the Month

Unknown Person Descriptors

What if the officer is unable to determine a victim or offender age, gender, or race?

- Typically, the victim information should be known. If an exact age cannot be determined, a four-character age range may be entered to approximate the age.
- If it is not possible to ascertain the victim or offender age, gender, or race, a valid data value is "Unknown".
- However, there must be an age, gender, and race for an exceptional clearance; the officer may need to indicate what the individual most closely represents.

