

IN A CAR ACCIDENT?

HERE'S EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO DO!

STAY CALM

- ✓ Breathe slowly and deeply.
- ✓ Avoid conflict. Now's not the time for arguments or blame.

ASSESS INJURIES

- ✓ Check yourself.
- ✓ Check any passengers.
- ✓ Don't move anyone with severe injuries.
Wait for emergency responders instead.

ENSURE SAFETY

- ✓ Turn on hazard lights, even if it's daylight.
- ✓ Take photos of the scene, but only if it's safe.
- ✓ Move your car out of traffic if possible.

GET HELP

- ✓ Dial 911 from a safe place.
- ✓ Provide as much detail as possible.
- ✓ Follow the dispatcher's instruction, including for first aid.

GET THE OTHER DRIVER'S INFO

- ✓ Name.
- ✓ Address.
- ✓ Phone number.
- ✓ Insurance company.
- ✓ Insurance policy number.
- ✓ Driver's license number.
- ✓ License plate number.

DOCUMENT THE SCENE

- ✓ Photograph all vehicles from all angles.
- ✓ Photograph road conditions.
- ✓ Photograph traffic signs and signals.
- ✓ Write down the time, date and weather.
- ✓ Write down your description of what happen.
The more detail, the better.

IDENTIFY WITNESSES

- ✓ Names.
- ✓ Phone numbers.

CONTACT YOUR INSURER

- ✓ Call their emergency number.
- ✓ Provide all documentation and witness information.

SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION

- ✓ Get a check-up. You may feel fine now, but some injuries manifest later.
- ✓ Document all medical interactions.

MAINTAIN RECORDS

- ✓ Reports and documentation from the scene.
- ✓ Insurance communication.
- ✓ Repair costs.
- ✓ Medical records and expenses.

CONSULT A PERSONAL INJURY ATTORNEY

- ✓ Deal with insurance.
- ✓ Understand your options.
- ✓ Ensure fair compensation.
- ✓ Address liability.

FOLLOW UP

- ✓ Stay in contact with your insurer.
- ✓ Attend all medical check-ups.