

What to Do After a Motorcycle Accident in Boulder

Understand your rights and the steps to take after a motorcycle crash.

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Step 1: Prioritize Safety and Medical Attention

Ensure everyone involved is safe and seek immediate medical attention for any injuries, no matter how minor they may seem.



Step 2: Document the Scene

If possible and safe, gather evidence at the accident scene. This includes taking photos of the accident, vehicle damage, and any visible injuries.



Step 3: Exchange Information

Exchange contact and insurance information with all parties involved in the accident.



Step 4: Report the Accident

File a police report for the accident. This official document can be crucial for insurance claims and legal proceedings.



Step 5: Understand Helmet Laws and Fault

Colorado does not mandate helmet use for adult riders. While insurance companies might argue helmet use affects recovery in head injury cases, it's often irrelevant for other injuries. Your ability to recover compensation depends on proving you were less than 50% at fault for the crash.

- Helmet use is not a factor if injuries are to legs, ribs, pelvis, or internal organs.
- Fault for the crash is the primary consideration, not protective gear.



Step 6: Consult a Motorcycle Accident Lawyer

Seek legal advice from a qualified motorcycle accident lawyer to understand your rights and options, especially if facing complex insurance claims or fault disputes.



Step 7: Preserve Evidence and Records

Keep all records related to the accident, including medical bills, repair estimates, and any communication with insurance companies.

Resources & Further Reading

Related guides for this process:

■ Motorcycle Accident Checklist

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■ Motorcycle Accident Action Sheet

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