

What to Do After a Dog Bite in Longmont

A step-by-step guide to protecting your health and legal rights.

Based on Longmont Dog Bite Lawyer by McCormick and Murphy

Step 1: Seek Immediate Medical Attention

Get professional medical care right away, even for seemingly minor wounds. Dog bites have a high risk of infection and require proper cleaning and evaluation.

- Ensure the wound is thoroughly cleaned and assessed by a healthcare professional.



Step 2: Report the Incident

Notify Longmont Animal Control or the Boulder County Sheriff's Office. This creates an official record of the dog bite.

- Having an official report is crucial for any future legal or insurance claims.



Step 3: Gather Dog Owner Information

If possible, obtain the dog owner's contact details and their homeowner's insurance information.

- This information will be vital for your claim.



Step 4: Document Your Injuries and the Scene

Take clear photographs of your injuries as they develop and of the location where the bite occurred.

- Documenting the scene can help establish liability.



Step 5: Collect Witness Information

If there were any witnesses to the dog bite, get their contact information.

- Witness accounts can provide valuable corroboration.



Step 6: Avoid Recorded Statements to Insurance Companies

Do not give recorded statements to any insurance companies before speaking with a lawyer.

- Statements made early on can be used against you.



Step 7: Consult a Lawyer

Contact a dog bite lawyer to discuss your case and understand your legal options.

- A lawyer can help navigate the complexities of insurance claims and legal proceedings.

Resources & Further Reading

Related guides for this process:

■ Dog Bite Incident Checklist

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■ Dog Bite Action Sheet

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