

Slip and Fall Accident FAQs

Answers to common questions about slip and fall accidents in Colorado Springs.

Based on Slip Fall Accidents by McCormick and Murphy

Q: What should I do immediately after a slip and fall accident?

A: Report the incident to the property owner or manager right away and ask them to create an incident report. If possible, take photos of the hazard, the surrounding area, and your injuries. Also, get contact information from any witnesses.

Q: Should I seek medical attention even if I don't feel seriously injured?

A: Yes, you should seek medical attention even if you don't think you're seriously hurt. Some injuries may not be apparent immediately, and delaying treatment can be used against your claim by the insurance company.

Q: What evidence should I collect after a fall?

A: Take photos of the hazard that caused your fall, the surrounding area, and your injuries. Keep the shoes and clothing you were wearing at the time of the accident. Write down everything you remember about the incident while it's fresh in your mind.

Q: Should I give a recorded statement to an insurance company?

A: No, you should not give any recorded statements to insurance companies before speaking with an attorney. They may try to use your words against you.

Q: What is the importance of an incident report?

A: Reporting the incident immediately and getting an incident report documents the accident. Requesting a copy for yourself ensures you have official record of the event.

Q: Why is it important to get witness information?

A: Witnesses can provide valuable testimony about the circumstances of your fall. Getting their names and contact information can be crucial for your case.

Q: How soon should I report the fall?

A: You should report the incident to the property owner or manager immediately after the fall occurs.

Q: What if the hazard that caused my fall is obvious?

A: Even if the hazard seems obvious, it's still important to document it with photos and report it to the property owner or manager immediately.

Q: Can delaying medical treatment hurt my case?

A: Yes, delaying medical treatment can hurt your case. Insurance companies may use it to argue that your injuries were not serious or were not caused by the fall.

Q: What should I do with the clothes I was wearing?

A: You should keep the shoes and clothing you were wearing at the time of the accident. These items can serve as evidence.

Q: When should I contact a lawyer?

A: You should contact McCormick & Murphy – Personal Injury Lawyers at 719-389-0400 before giving any recorded statements to insurance companies.

Resources & Further Reading

Related guides for these FAQs:

■ Slip and Fall Accident Checklist

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■ Slip and Fall Accident Action Sheet

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