

What to Do After a Car Accident in Brighton

Steps to take to protect your health and rights after an auto accident.

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Step 1: Seek Medical Attention

Get medical attention the same day if possible, even if injuries don't seem serious. Delayed treatment can be used by insurance companies to argue your injuries are not severe.

- Injuries like whiplash and soft tissue damage may not show symptoms immediately.



Step 2: Document the Scene

Take photos of the accident scene, the involved vehicles, and any visible injuries.



Step 3: Gather Witness Information

Obtain contact information from any witnesses present at the accident scene.



Step 4: Record Accident Details

Write down an account of what happened while the details are fresh in your mind.



Step 5: Notify Your Insurance Company

Report the accident to your own insurance company.



Step 6: Avoid Recorded Statements

Do not give a recorded statement to the other driver's insurance company.



Step 7: Do Not Sign Documents

Refrain from signing any documents or medical releases presented to you.



Step 8: Contact an Attorney

Call an attorney before the insurance adjuster contacts you.

Resources & Further Reading

Related guides for this process:

■ Auto Accident Checklist

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■ Auto Accident Action Sheet

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Protect your rights by seeking medical care, documenting evidence, and consulting an attorney promptly after an accident.