

What to Do After a Car Accident in Highlands Ranch

A step-by-step guide to protect your rights and health after a collision.

Based on Auto Accident Lawyer Highlands Ranch by McCormick and Murphy

Step 1: Check for Injuries and Call 911

Immediately assess yourself and others for injuries. If anyone requires medical attention, call 911 without delay. Even if you feel unharmed, seek medical evaluation promptly, as some injuries may not be immediately apparent.

- Prioritize safety and medical needs above all else.



Step 2: Document the Accident Scene

Take photographs of all involved vehicles, the extent of the damage, the surrounding environment, road conditions, and any visible injuries. This documentation is crucial for evidence.

- Capture wide shots and close-ups of damage and the scene.



Step 3: Exchange Information

Swap names, contact details, and insurance information with the other driver(s). However, refrain from discussing who was at fault or admitting any apology.

- Collect insurance policy numbers and company names.



Step 4: Gather Witness Information

If there were any witnesses to the accident, obtain their names and contact information. Their testimony can be valuable.

- Ask witnesses if they are willing to provide a statement.



Step 5: Report to Your Insurance Company

Notify your insurance provider about the accident to fulfill your policy obligations. However, avoid giving recorded statements or signing any documents before consulting with an attorney.

- Stick to the basic facts when reporting to your insurer.



Step 6: Keep Detailed Records

Maintain meticulous records of all medical appointments, prescriptions, treatments, and any expenses incurred as a direct result of the accident.

- Organize bills, receipts, and doctor's notes in one place.



Step 7: Avoid Contact with Other Insurance Companies

Do not engage with calls from the other driver's insurance company. Do not agree to any settlement offers or sign any agreements without first obtaining legal counsel.

- Let your attorney handle all communications with the other party's insurer.

Resources & Further Reading

Related guides for this process:

■ Questions to Ask Before Hiring an Auto Accident Lawyer

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■ Highlands Ranch Auto Accident Checklist

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