

The FACTS about Car Accidents in New Jersey

The Numbers 2014

Top causes of Accidents 2014

- #1 Driver Inattention
- #2 Alcohol
- #3 Speed



563 people were killed in traffic accidents in 2014

- 301 drivers
- 80 passengers
- 13 bicyclists
- 169 pedestrians

What To Do Immediately After A Car Accident

#1 Check for Injuries

Before you do anything else, check yourself and any passengers for injuries.

If any of the injuries appear to be serious, call an ambulance.

If you're not sure whether the injury is serious or not, it's better to be safe than sorry and call the ambulance.



Call 911 for Injuries



#2 Move Your Vehicle

If possible, get your car off the road as soon as you can.

To alert oncoming traffic of the accident, set up road flares or warning triangles if you have any. It's always a good idea to keep this kind of equipment in your trunk or glove compartment.

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#3 Call the police

You'll need to file an accident report, and the police can help to be an intermediary between you and the other drivers.



Be sure to get a copy of the police report



#4 Document all damage

Take pictures and notes of all the damage done to all vehicles involved in the accident. These will act as records for proof of damage in potential personal injury or insurance claims.

#5 Exchange information

with people at the scene.

Get the information of other drivers involved in the accident, including name, phone number, email, address, license plate, insurance information and more.



Speak to potential witnesses as well to get their information. They could come in handy for your claims.

#6 Be careful what you say

When talking to police and to other drivers, make sure that you never take responsibility for the accident.

This could seriously hurt your chances of being successful with your claim.



Shhhhh!!



#7 Contact insurance as soon as possible

Once you've dealt with everything at the scene of the accident, contact your insurance provider to inform them of the crash and get started with the process of filing your claim.

#8 Protect Yourself

If you or a loved one suffers an injury in a car accident, be sure to follow these tips to stay safe.

Once your safety is assured, call our New Jersey car accident attorneys at Gaylord Popp, LLC to obtain representation as you begin preparing for a personal injury suit.



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