

6 Things To Do After A Car Accident

- 1. **Move to a safe area**, such as the shoulder of the road, and turn on your hazards to notify other drivers.
- 2. **Check on others involved.** Make sure to check on all parties involved, including drivers, passengers, and pedestrians, before assessing property damage.
- 3. **Call 911.** Do not hesitate to seek medical attention, even for a "minor" accident. Minor symptoms such as dizziness need to be checked out by a health care professional. If someone is unconscious or has neck/back pain, do not move them until a qualified medical professional arrives.

A fender bender may seem like a seemingly minor incident, but it is important to call the police because accident reports prove invaluable when it comes to insurance claims and lawsuits.

- 4. **Do not admit guilt and do not apologize for anything at the scene**. At the time, it may seem natural to get out of your car and shout, "I'm so sorry I ran that red light... are you okay?", but do not do this. You may be admitting legal liability for what happened. Do not unnecessarily admit guilt.
- 5. **Gather and exchange info** including driver and passenger names, numbers, addresses, license plate numbers, insurance info, makes and models of all vehicles involved, eyewitness contact info, and the name/badge number of the responding police officers.
- 6. **Document the scene.** Use your phone! Take as many pictures as possible of the accident scene. This will be crucial during the claim's process.

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