

What To Do if You're Involved In An Accident

- › Try to relax
- › Never leave the scene of the accident.
- › If possible, move to a safe area.
- › Put the car in park, turn off the engine, and take a moment to breathe.
- › If moving your car isn't possible, turn on your hazard lights.
- › Check to make sure it's safe to get out of your car before opening the door.
- › Check for injuries and call 911 if needed.
- › If it is safe, take photos of the accident scene from all angles. This can come in very handy during the claim process.
- › Take a photo of the other car's license plate.
- › Take a photo of the driver's license of the other driver.
- › Take A PHOTO OF THE OTHER PARTIES INSURANCE IDENTIFICATION CARD.
- › Get all other parties involved in the accidents names and phone numbers.



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- › Get the make and model of all the vehicles involved (this is on the insurance ID card).
- › Get the location of the accident.
- › Call the police to the scene.
- › Take a photo of the name and badge number of any responding police officer.
- › If the police can't make it to the scene, don't worry, unless there are injuries, the police will not always come.
- › A police report is invaluable when dealing with your auto insurance company.
- › Cooperate fully, but avoid admitting fault or blaming others while at the scene.
- › A witness (who is not a passenger in your car) can make a huge difference in the way the loss is settled. If someone saw the accident, ask them for their name, address, e-mail address, and phone number and make it clear that this is only for insurance purposes.
- › Report your claim to Advocate Brokerage or directly to your insurance carrier if our office is closed. Most accident reports can wait until normal business hours.
- › Do not hesitate to contact us for help.

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