

How to Claim after a Car Accident?

Suffering injuries after being involved in a car accident can be a devastating experience for any road user, especially when it is due to someone else's negligent actions. But don't worry; according to Scotland's laws, you can get fair compensation for your mental and physical suffering. If you want to know how to claim after a car accident, stay with us, and you will learn everything you need.



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If you've been injured and it

wasn't your fault, we're here to help.

If you've been injured in a [car accident](#) that wasn't your fault, but was the result of someone else's negligence, then contact us. We at Hamilton Douglas Legal have a network of highly qualified and experienced Solicitors who will help you make your claim and win the best compensation.

How to Claim Injury after a Car Accident?

After being injured in a road accident, the first thing you need to do is to ensure your safety and those around you. Immediately seek medical assistance to assess the extent of your injury. Do so even if you feel your injuries are light and need no immediate medical assistance.

Sometimes injuries are far more serious than they seem at first glance; a qualified doctor can accurately assess the extent of your injuries and their short-term and long-term effects on your life. And this medical report will be solid evidence to prove your case in court when you make a claim.

Call the police as soon as possible and report the situation; Important details can get lost over time, which is detrimental to your claim.

Gather as much evidence as possible to support your claim, CCTV footage, and Witness details, and make a detailed description of the event while it is still fresh in your mind.

How long after a car accident can I

claim?

According to Scotland laws, if you suffer an injury during road traffic accidents, you have a three-year limit after the accident date to make a claim. After this limit passes, you can no longer claim for that accident, but there are exceptions.

- If you suffered debilitating injuries in the accident and were in no condition to make a claim, then the limit is three years after your recovery.
- If you only discovered later that you suffered injuries in an accident, then the limit is three years after the discovery.

Is there a different claim time limit for children?

For children, the limit to which they can make a claim is three years after they reach adulthood. But if their parent or guardian has represented them and has made a claim on their behalf, they can no longer claim on the same accident even after reaching adulthood.

How long does a car accident claim take to settle?

There is no hard and fast rule on how long it takes to settle a car crash road accident. If it is a straightforward case where you can clearly establish liability, then it might be over in a month or a few weeks. But there are some complications in the process; then it might take anywhere from a few months to a few years.

It all depends on the case, but if you contact us, we will

help you settle your claim in the least amount of time and help you get the maximum amount of compensation.

Who pays personal injury claims for a car accident?

The person responsible for the accident usually pays compensation for a [personal injury claim in Scotland](#). In some cases, that person's insurance company may cover the cost of the claim and pay the victim for the car accident injuries and other damages they have suffered.

Why is my car accident claim going to court?

Your car accident claim is going to court because you were unable to reach an out-of-court settlement, so going the court is the only way to get fair compensation for the injuries you have suffered as a result of the accident. The court will check your case and decide whether it is valid; if you win, you get fair compensation that can help you with your financial situation and help you recover faster.

However, court proceedings take time, so you may have to wait for a few months to get your compensation.

What happens when a car accident claim goes to court?

When your car accident case goes to court, the court analyses it and decides whether win or lose the claim. If you want to win, you need to prove that you suffered an injury in a car accident and

that accident was someone else's fault.

After that, you calculate the value of your claim and negotiate with the opposite party to settle the claim.

How to claim insurance for a car accident?

You need to inform your insurer about the car accident as soon as possible. If you wait too long, your insurer might invalidate the claim. Different insurers have different time limits, but as a general rule of thumb, you should make your claim within two weeks. Because as time passes, some important details get blurry, and it becomes more difficult to gather them.

But if you suffer a personal injury during the car accident, you legally have a three-year time limit to make your claim, after which you lose your right to make a claim.

Do I Need to See a Doctor to Make a Claim?

Yes! Medical reports are very important to prove that you suffered injuries in an accident and the extent of your injury, which is vital in determining the value of your claim. So, before making a claim, visit a qualified doctor; they can help you determine the extent of your injury and its possible negative effects on your life in the future.

Why Should I Use a Solicitor?

Making a personal injury claim can be complicated for someone inexperienced; hiring a solicitor to represent you makes this process easier. Our car accident solicitors specialising in personal injury and road accident cases have extensive experience in dealing with such cases. You can contact them for legal advice and don't worry about the cost as they work

on a no win no fee basis.

They know what to do and when to do it; they will help you find and organise important evidence. Help you estimate the appropriate value of your claim and help you negotiate to get the maximum compensation; claiming compensation is not easy, so contact us; we are here to help you.