

POST ACCIDENT CHECKLIST



Steps to Take at the Scene After a Car Accident:

- **Stay put.** South Carolina law requires you to stop if a crash causes property damage, injury, or death.
- **Check for injuries.** Do a quick scan of yourself and others to see if anyone is injured.
- **Call 911.** Make sure you get emergency medical responders and police to the scene as quickly as possible.
- **Get witness information.** Witnesses will leave quickly – even before police or first responders arrive.
- **Take photos.** Before a car is moved or towed, get photos of the scene. This can be important for your claim and case.
- **Cooperate with police.** Assist the responding officer as much as possible. Give your name and address, registration number, and proof of insurance. Answer the officer's questions.
- **Jot down notes.** Either at the scene or shortly after you leave, you should write down as many notes as possible about the crash while the details are still fresh in your mind.
- **Get medical attention.** Even if you were not taken away by an ambulance, you may still be hurt. Many head and spinal cord injuries, soft tissue damage, and internal injuries are not immediately apparent.
- **Call your lawyer at Jebaily Law Firm at 843-667-0400.** The sooner you have an attorney protecting your legal rights, the better off you will be in the long run. Schedule a meeting to discuss your case as soon as possible.
- **Report your accident.** If your crash resulted in property damage, injury, or death, you are required by law to file a FR-10 insurance verification form with the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV). You must file it within 15 days after the crash and start the claims process.
- **Notify your insurance company.** You should report your accident as soon as possible to your auto insurance company. However, **do not** give a statement until you talk with your lawyer at Jebaily Law Firm. Additionally, you do not have to speak with the other driver's insurance company; simply direct their calls to your attorney at Jebaily Law Firm.

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