What to Do After an Auto Accident

(Print and keep in your car)

- Identify the nearest safe location
- Move your vehicle to identified location

Check for Injuries

Always check to make sure there are no injuries so you know how to proceed when calling 911

Call 911

They will advise if they need to respond. Absolutely contact the police if;

- If It's a hit and run
- If the other party attempts to leave the scene without providing their information
- If there are injuries
- If it is apparent that liability will be disputed

Take Photos

If you have a camera, make sure to take pictures of;

- Vehicle damage
- Scene of the accident
- All parties involved

Exchange Information

You will need all of the following information from every party involved in the accident:

Personal Information

- Name
- Phone Number
- Home Address
- Driver's license Number
- Auto Insurance carrier / policy number

Auto Information

- Year of car
- Make of car
- Model of car
- License plate number (including state)

Witness Information

It is important to obtain information from any eyewitnesses at the scene of the accident.

DO NOT Admit Fault

You do not want to admit any fault. However, fully cooperate with the authorities and obtain their information and the police report number.

Take Notes - Document

It's a good idea to write down details about the loss while it's still fresh in your mind. Include as many details as possible, such as;

- The direction the vehicles were traveling
- How fast the vehicles were traveling
- Did anyone brake, use their horn or try to avoid the accident?
- What were the road conditions like?
- Was the road wet?
- Was it foggy or raining?
- Was traffic heavy or light?

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