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To extend Indiana’s move-over law to protect all vehicles displaying hazard warning lights.

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WHY NORAH’S LAW?

To get Indiana lawmakers to adopt the same bill passed in Maryland that went into effect on October 1, 2022.

Maryland’s “move over” law, which currently applies only to emergency or service vehicles, has been expanded to include any vehicle on the side of the highway.

“We all know how dangerous it can be on the side of the road with our flashers on,” bill co-sponsor Sen. Jeff Waldstreicher (D-Silver Spring) said during a January hearing of Maryland’s Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee. “And culturally, it’s important that we start to advise our fellow constituents and fellow Marylanders that the appropriate response is to move over, to make space, to make sure people feel safe on the side of the road when they’re under difficult circumstances.”



How to file a personal injury claim without a lawyer

After an accident in Indiana, you may find yourself suffering because of another person’s negligence. You may feel reluctant to hire a lawyer to file a personal injury claim — any additional accident-related cost feels like more stress you don’t need.

You’re drowning in post-accident bills. Your injury adversely impacts your quality of life. You want to solely focus on healing, but the insurance company is giving you the runaround. The insurer has offered you a paltry payment that barely covers the costs of your doctor’s visits. You’ve decided you need to legally file a personal injury claim.



The good news is, you’re well within your legal rights to file a personal injury claim without a lawyer. However, a personal injury lawyer could bring the expertise you need to negotiate with the insurance company. A seasoned attorney can handle the legal nuances of the claims process, and can deal with the mountains of paper-work a personal injury claim could bring.

Whether you choose to file a claim on your own, or you retain an attorney, the process to file a claim remains the same.

Steps to file a claim

After your accident in Indiana, it’s vital that you take certain steps before you choose to file a personal injury claim. Each step provides important legal documentation that will allow your claim to move through the appropriate legal channels.

File a police report (or an incident or injury report)

If your injuries were sustained in a car accident, it’s imperative you remain on the scene until law enforcement arrives. You should file a police report which will include contact information, the police investigation of the accident, eyewitness accounts, and other important documentation.

If your accident occurred at work, you should immediately file an injury report with your human resources department. However, if you were injured as a customer in a private establishment or in a public space due to negligence, you will need to contact a representative and file an incident report.

Gather photo and video evidence

Immediately document your accident by taking photos and film the scene. If there are eyewitnesses to your accident, ask for their contact information.

I’ve Been in an Accident! What Next?

Download our free checklist: 5 Things To Do After An Accident and find out the critical mistakes made by personal injury victims (the ones insurance companies are praying you'll make).

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Seek Medical Attention

In the aftermath of your accident, you may feel that your injuries are minor. However, sustained injuries, such as whiplash, may grow more severe over time. You may also have suffered injuries you aren’t yet aware of such as internal bleeding or a concussion.

A doctor can provide medical diagnosis, prescribe needed medication, administer treatment, and give a prognosis for your healing. After you’ve sustained significant injury due to negligence, your medical records serve as the foundation for your personal injury claim.

Proof of negligence

You can easily complete the first steps to file a claim on your own. However, legal expertise can only help your case after you’ve filed a police report and received medical treatment. In order for your personal injury claim to hold legal merit, you must be able to establish fault.

Ensure you have the necessary documentation to support your claim of negligence on the part of another party.

Serve notice of your claim

Serving notice is an extra cost you’ll incur if you choose to file a claim sans a personal injury lawyer. You cannot serve notice to the target of your claim on your own. Rather, you’ll have to hire a serving company to deliver the legal notice of your claim.

Serve notice of your claim

Most personal injury claims are settled long before you’ll see a courtroom. Settlements often come from back and forth negotiations in mediation meetings. If you’re representing yourself, you’ll need to schedule these meetings and ensure you’re present for each session.

See Indiana laws on personal injury claims, personal injury compensation, and how a personal injury lawyer can help at: <https://yoshalawfirm.com/blog/>

The Three Most Common Causes of Motorcycle Accidents

Motorcycle accidents can be extremely dangerous, even deadly. Motorcycles are involved in fewer than two percent of all traffic accidents, but they account for more than 15 percent of all traffic fatalities. It is critical that drivers pay attention and keep an eye out for motorcyclists at all times and that riders take precautions to increase their visibility on the road. Balance, coordination, and excellent judgment are required for safe motorcycle riding. The three most common causes of motorcycle accidents and methods to avoid them are listed below.

Left Hand Turns

In intersections, cars turning left frequently collide with oncoming or passing motorcyclists. These drivers are often distracted, speeding, or failing to check for motorcyclists in their blind spot. Drivers making a left turn must yield to oncoming traffic. As a result, if you’ve been hit because a driver failed to yield, they could be held liable for your damages.

To avoid being involved in an accident like this, make sure you ride safely. Applying reflective materials to your motorcycle and keeping your bike’s headlights on at all times, even utilizing high beams during the day, will improve your visibility. Traffic signals, speed restrictions, and lane markings should all be followed, and drivers should always check behind them before turning. Remember always to indicate before changing lanes.

Head-on Collisions

Head-on collisions are one of the most dangerous kinds of accidents for motorcyclists because of the unequal amount of force involved and the lack of safety features on motorcycles. Head-on collisions can also occur with fixed objects. Motorcyclists can be severely injured or killed if they veer off the road and hit a tree, light post, or fence.

Veering off the road can be caused by alcohol and drugs, including some prescribed medications, negatively affecting your judgment, coordination, balance, throttle control, and ability to shift gears. These substances also diminish your reaction speed and affect your awareness. It is hard to foresee what other vehicles or pedestrians will do, even when you are fully vigilant. Never ride a motorcycle while under the influence.



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Slip and Fall case against National Car Rental company. Verdict Amount \$7.5 Million Dollars, includes \$2.5 Million in loss of services for the plaintiff’s spouse. Plaintiff required a total hip replacement.

\$20.3 Million Verdict

\$20,325,000 verdict against a Fortune 500 energy company following a near-fatal electric shock injury that occurred at the company’s power plant in Petersburg, Indiana

\$3 Million Verdict

\$3,000,000 verdict for a motorcyclist who was injured after encountering construction equipment protruding out onto the roadway