

# Law Office of Daniel Vega Accident Checklist

We know that it's hard to think clearly or know who to turn to after a car accident. This handy checklist will help you through the trauma and make sure you don't forget anything important. Follow our guide below:

## **Contact the Police immediately**

The first step, if you're able to, is to call the police. California law requires that you stop, call the police, and have the police complete a police report.

## **Call for Help**

If the accident resulted in an injury, be safe and call an ambulance. A **911** operator will dispatch an ambulance and police team to the scene. **DO NOT** attempt to treat the injured person yourself unless you have training in first aid. **DO NOT** try and move an injured person unless they are in a life threatening situation. You may make the injury worse by moving the person.

## **Exchange Information**

You are required to exchange your name, address, and insurance information with the other driver involved in the accident. Ask to see the driver's license, registration, and insurance card. Copy down all information and put it in a safe place. When the police arrives, copy down the name, badge number, and precinct of the officer so that your attorney can get a copy of the police report.

## **Make No Statement about the accident**

Protect yourself—let your attorney handle the case. Exchange information with the other driver, but do not make any statements, engage in arguments, or say anything that can be used against you in the future.

## **Witnesses to the car accident**

Attempt to get the name, address and phone number of any witness to the car accident.

## **Medical Treatment**

Get prompt medical treatment at an emergency hospital or medical clinic. Make sure you tell the doctor about any complaints and injuries you have as a result of the accident. Remember that some internal injuries may not show up immediately.

## **Notify your auto Insurance Company**

Whenever you are in an accident involving an injury or property damage, notify your insurance company. If you fail to notify your insurance company IMMEDIATELY after the accident, they have the right to refuse to cover the claim.

## **Call us right away. We're here to help.**

When you work with Daniel Vega, you will pay no upfront fees and will receive a free consultation. We'll make sure you are treated fairly and receive just compensation after an auto accident. Contact the Law Offices of Daniel Vega today at **(415) 287-6200**. **Mobile website at [www.vegalawyer.com](http://www.vegalawyer.com)**