

Top 5 Motorcycle Injuries in Vancouver BC.



In many cases, motorcycle accidents are the fault of the car driver, not the motorcyclist. That's not likely to be much of a consolation for riders however, who regularly come off worse after an accident involving another vehicle.

Think about it.

Drivers are nicely protected, cocooned in their reinforced airbag enabled shells. Motorcyclists on the other hand don't have anywhere near as much protection, so injuries are common occurrence for riders who've been involved in a road traffic accident.

Of course there are many things you can do to reduce the risk of injury - exercising reasonable care, conducting a safety check of your bike and wearing protective clothing are just three examples. But accidents do happen and so, unfortunately, do injuries.

The following is a list of 5 of the most common injuries motorcyclists experience after an accident:

Motorcycle Accident Injury #1: Traumatic brain injury (TBI)

Colliding with another vehicle or being thrown from a motorcycle can expose the motorcyclist to severe head trauma, especially if he or she is not wearing a helmet. A severe blow can produce a traumatic brain injury or TBI, which often results in brain swelling or bleeding in the brain tissue.

For more about symptoms see my video <http://www.mccombwitten.com/video/what-are-the-symptoms-of-mild-traumatic-brain-injury.cfm>

Motorcycle Accident Injury #2: Spinal Injuries

One of the more devastating injuries suffered by motorcyclists is damage to the spinal cord, a real danger when being thrown from a bike at a high speed, or when colliding with a 3,000 pound vehicle. Injuries can result in partial or total paralysis, requiring long term or permanent care. Less severe injuries can include disc and nerve damage that can affect one or more limbs, and cause chronic back problems that surgery may or may not relieve.

Motorcycle Accident Injury #3: Fractures

A motorcycle accident can easily result in a broken bone. Wearing gloves and leather clothing may help to prevent fractures in some cases, but not all. Likewise riders are at risk of facial fractures if a full-face helmet is not worn. It might not sound too serious, but depending on the severity of the fracture, a motorcyclist can suffer a permanent injury in some cases.

Motorcycle Accident Injury #4: Disfigurement

By not wearing protective clothing like a helmet, leather jacket, boots, and pants, motorcyclists risk permanent scarring or disfigurement from lacerations on contacting the roadway or pavement. A loss of a limb can occur from a severe fracture or from a crush injury.

Motorcycle Accident Injury #5: Road Rash

One of the less severe injuries is road rash. Leather or denim clothing, along with gloves and boots, may minimize this type of injury. But being thrown suddenly from a bike even at a low speed can produce severe lacerations, abrasions, and burns. Although most of these injuries are relatively minor, they can become infected and cause serious complications if not properly treated.

Retain a skilled Vancouver Motorcycle Accident Attorney for Your Case

If you've been unfortunate enough to have been injured as a result of a motorcycle accident in Vancouver, Richmond, Surrey/Delta areas, you need a knowledgeable and experienced motorcycle accident attorney on your side. Motorcycle accidents can raise unique issues, and help to ensure that you aren't cheated out of the compensation you deserve.

Contact Jeff Witten, Vancouver Personal Injury Lawyer at (604) 9018 for a free consultation regarding your legal rights.