

## Accident Checklist Courtesy of



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1. Check to make sure no one was injured including yourself, your passengers, the other vehicle's driver and any occupants, and any pedestrians. If anyone is injured call 911 immediately.
2. Contact the police. It is best practice during the time you are awaiting the police to arrive to keep conversation with the other vehicles occupants to a minimum. Try not to discuss the accident or events leading up to it except with the police officers.
3. Take photos of both vehicles and the surrounding area of where the accident took place. Police rarely take photos when there are no injuries. Each police department has different policies on whether the officer is required to take photos of the accident. To be on the safe side, take your own pictures.
4. When the police have finished the investigation, and given the appropriate paperwork to you, they will let you know you are free to leave. Never leave the scene of the accident until police tell you to do so.
5. If your vehicle can be driven, take it home and go on to the next step. If your vehicle must be towed from the accident scene, ask the tow-truck driver where the vehicle will be taken.
6. Call your insurance company to make a claim just remember, they will try to steer you to their "preferred body shop" to save themselves money not you! Ask plenty of questions. **YOU ALWAYS HAVE THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE WHERE YOUR VEHICLE IS REPAIRED!!**
7. Contact one of our dedicated team members at Premier Paint and Body for a free estimate of the damages and answers to your questions regarding your rights following an accident. 850.863.0876

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