

From The Desk of Mark Blane



Driving Too Fast for Traffic Conditions - California Vehicle Code Violation

The most common citation on most car collision cases has to be violation of **California Vehicle Code Section 22350**. The Code basically says a California driver is not allowed to drive too fast for traffic conditions. This means a driver always has to obey the speed limit, but if it is raining and the dangers on the roadway dictate a lower speed, say 50 mph, then that is considered the safe speed for traffic conditions. Drivers must use common sense giving their environment. Obviously, if there is construction, then that would be another consideration in order to lower your speed.

However, violating the speed laws is the most common reason why a preventable car collision occurs. I have taken numerous law enforcement depositions and they all tell me that this is a very common citation and cause for a car collision occurring. The entire reason for having this rule is prevent injury on the roadway. And, the "**Rule of Reciprocity**" is alive and well with it. Think about it logically. We all depend on other drivers to drive safely and obey the speed laws. Likewise, those same people depend us to do the same. Therefore, **[California Vehicle Code Section 22350 is very important safety traffic rule.](#)**

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The 5 Big Benefits of Having Medical Pay on Your

Car Insurance

Medical Pay in California is available under your automobile insurance in California as a "voluntary add-on." This means it is not required by California law, but rather elective by you. I ALWAYS recommend a person to have medical payments under their car insurance because it is like having extra health insurance under your car insurance that will pay for medical bills that require payment right away, to help to protect your credit. Sometimes your private health plan does not pay for everything, or you have co-pays that are owed. Yes, you will get a settlement at some future point, but sometimes your medical bills need payment right away.

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Man Gets \$300,000 Policy Limit From Rear-End Accident

Our client was injured in a rear-end accident in San Diego, leaving him with the need for nerve ablation therapy and lumbar surgery. After the insurance agency tried to sell cheap, we were able to work to get him his insurance policy limit.

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Feature Article



The Serious Consequences of Head-On Collisions

One of the most dangerous auto crashes you or someone you love can experience is a head-on crash. A head-on collision is one where the front ends of two motor vehicles collide. Even if airbags deploy, the force of the impact is similar to smashing into a massive immovable object, like a brick wall. Because of the greater force of impact, victims often suffer devastating injuries that cause long-term pain or disabilities.

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SMOOTHIE OF THE MONTH



Watermelon Smoothie

This 3-ingredient watermelon smoothie is juicy and lightly sweet, with frozen strawberries and banana. It's a unique smoothie idea that's ultra refreshing! Recipe courtesy of [A Couple Cooks](#).

Ingredients:

- 3 cups cubed watermelon
- 10 ounces (2 heaping cups) frozen strawberries
- 1 banana, either frozen in slices or at room temperature

Instructions:

- Chop the watermelon.
- Place all ingredients in a blender, and blend until smooth and creamy.
- Serve immediately.

Enjoy!

What Clients Have to Say About Working With Us

John Waldheim

"After a bad accident on a California freeway, a driver was texting and not paying attention, he plowed into us as we were fully stopped in traffic. Both my wife and I sustained injuries that took every bit of 6 months to heal up from. When we contacted Mark, he immediately acted and put us at ease. Mark Blane immediately organized the treatments and coordinated all of the communication with the doctors and the other insurance company. We were able to focus on our health rather than fighting with the insurance companies who were rude and pushing to settle immediately. The process was long, but Mark made sure we got all of the medical care we needed. He fought for us and in the end was successful in getting all of the medical requirements taken care of. Best of the best experience. Hopefully this never happens again. But if it does, I will definitely use the Law Offices of Mark Blane."

