

# NYC Tourist Guide *FOR CAR ACCIDENTS*

New York City can be a stressful driving environment if you're traveling from out of state. It's easy to become overwhelmed, so you should know where to seek help after a car accident.

This guide can help you understand New York's driving and insurance laws, provide you resources, and help you decide if you should handle the process here or when you get home. No one plans on getting hurt, but it's better to be prepared than to be left without any idea what to do.



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# THINGS TO KNOW AS AN **OUT-OF-STATE** DRIVER



## Your Insurance Should Work in NY

Most insurance policies work nationwide. If you're covered at home, you should be covered here.



## You Can File a Claim in NY

With NY's no-fault insurance, you should be able to file a claim. Up to \$50,000 of your economic losses are covered.



## You Can Sue Beyond Your Policy's Coverage

Damages that aren't covered by your insurance can be recovered through civil action.



## You Can Hire Your Own Attorney

You don't need to go through this process alone. Hiring a NY attorney with experience in these situations is critical to recovering your losses.



## You Can Work on Your Case Remotely

Your personal injury lawyer will be able to represent you while you're back in your home state. You may have to make some appearances.

# ANSWERING YOUR QUESTIONS

## What is No-Fault Insurance?

No-fault insurance began in New York in the 1970s. No matter who is at fault for a crash, the victim's injuries are paid for by the insurance company. You can file a claim using **Form NF-2**. You have 30 days to file.

## What is the Statute of Limitations in NY?

New York has a two-year deadline to file a personal injury claim. You'll have two years to file a lawsuit after a crash.

## What Should I Do After a Crash?

Dealing with a crash can be confusing. Should you do everything while you're in New York, or can it wait until you're home? Each case is unique, but there are some things you won't be able to handle effectively from home.

- 1 Get Medical Treatment:** If your injuries are severe enough, you'll probably receive treatment immediately. If you wait until you're home, you could lose some credibility on your claim.
- 2 Document the Crash Scene and Your Injuries:** Do this immediately after the crash, if you can move. Ask a passenger or passerby for help if you're too severely injured.
- 3 Collect Witness Information:** Eyewitness accounts are useful in insurance claims. If you can't collect a full statement, get their contact information for your attorney.
- 4 Request a Police Report:** You can request a copy of the police report of your accident. It's something you can request at the scene or find it online.
- 5 Contact a NY Car Accident Lawyer:** You should work with a NY lawyer. You might have 2 years to file a lawsuit, but you have 30 days to file a claim. A lawyer will have the knowhow to help you receive maximum

# WHERE TO GET TREATMENT AFTER A CRASH

New York is made up of five boroughs, mini-cities within a large one. We have: the Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens, and Staten Island. You can find medical care in each one. Knowing which borough you're in can help you direct medical or police assistance.

## Staten Island

Staten Island University  
Hospital – Northwell Health:  
475 Seaview Ave, Staten  
Island, NY 10305 ↗

## Manhattan

NewYork-Presbyterian Allen Hospital:  
5141 Broadway at 220th Street, New York, NY 10034 ↗

## Bronx

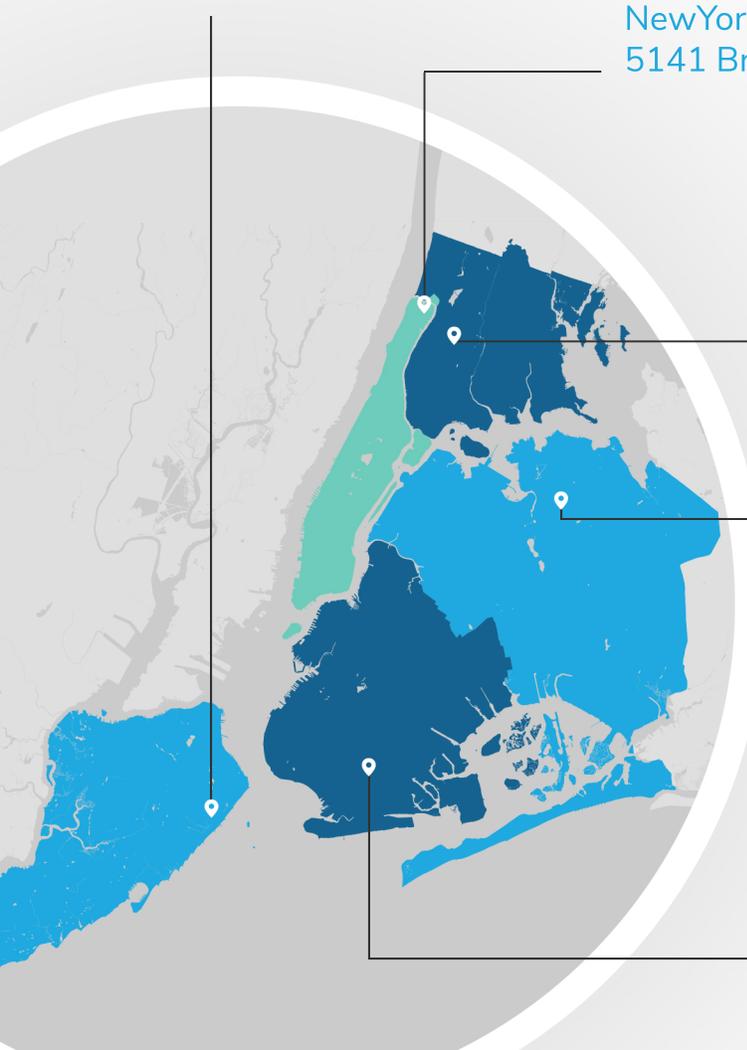
BronxCare Health System:  
1650 Grand Concourse, The Bronx, NY 10457 ↗

## Queens

NewYork-Presbyterian Queens:  
56-45 Main Street, Flushing, NY 11355 ↗

## Brooklyn

Maimonides Midwood Community  
Hospital: 2525 Kings Highway at East  
26th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11229 ↗



# Contact a New York Accident Lawyer *FOR HELP*

Getting help after a car accident is critical. Understanding who you can rely on and who can support you if you're not from New York can help you recover the compensation you've lost. The attorneys at Hecht, Kleeger & Damashek, P.C., have helped New York residents and out-of-state drivers pursue damages after a crash.

