

# AUTOMOTIVE CRASH QUESTIONNAIRE

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Patient's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

State Driver's License #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Insurance Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Insured: \_\_\_\_\_ Claim #: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Injury: \_\_\_\_\_ Time of Injury: \_\_\_\_\_

What city did the crash occur in? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the estimated damage to your vehicle? \_\_\_\_\_

Who made the damage estimates on your car? \_\_\_\_\_

Who owns the vehicle you were involved in? \_\_\_\_\_

Who was responsible for the accident? \_\_\_\_\_

- Yes  No Did you report the injury to the insurance company?  
 Yes  No Have you filed for Personal Injury Protection "PIP" benefits with your auto insurance company?  
 Yes  No Do you have an attorney for this case? If yes,  
Name of Attorney: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

- Yes  No Was the accident on the job?  
 Yes  No Did the police come to the accident scene and make a report?  
 Yes  No Were you cited by the police?

Describe how the crash happened: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Draw a diagram of the accident scene. Be sure to label street names, intersections, etc.

## COLLISION DESCRIPTION

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### What type of accident were you involved in? (Check all that apply.)

- |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> single car crash   | <input type="checkbox"/> two-vehicle crash  | <input type="checkbox"/> three or more vehicles |
| <input type="checkbox"/> rear end collision | <input type="checkbox"/> sideswipe crash    | <input type="checkbox"/> rollover               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> head on collision  | <input type="checkbox"/> hit guardrail/tree | <input type="checkbox"/> ran off road           |

You were the:     driver                       front passenger                       rear passenger

### Describe the vehicle you were in:

Make and model: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

- |   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> compact car                  | <input type="checkbox"/> mid-sized car         | <input type="checkbox"/> full-sized car          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> pick-up truck/sports utility | <input type="checkbox"/> large truck/large SUV | <input type="checkbox"/> large bus or semi-truck |

### If any, describe the other vehicle(s):

- |   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> compact car                  | <input type="checkbox"/> mid-sized car         | <input type="checkbox"/> full-sized car          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> pick-up truck/sports utility | <input type="checkbox"/> large truck/large SUV | <input type="checkbox"/> large bus or semi-truck |

### Estimated crash speeds:

Estimate how fast your vehicle was moving at the time of the crash: \_\_\_\_\_ mph

Estimate how fast the other vehicle was moving at the time of the crash: \_\_\_\_\_ mph

### At the time of impact, YOUR vehicle was:

- slowing down     gaining speed     stopped     moving at a steady speed

### At the time of impact, the OTHER vehicle was:

- slowing down     gaining speed     stopped     moving at a steady speed

### During and after the crash, YOUR vehicle:

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> kept going straight, not hitting anything | <input type="checkbox"/> spun around, not hitting anything       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> kept going straight, hitting car in front | <input type="checkbox"/> spun around, hitting another car        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> was hit by another vehicle                | <input type="checkbox"/> spun around, hitting object (not a car) |

### Describe yourself during the crash:

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | You were aware of the impending collision. Did you see or hear brakes prior to the impact?  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Were relaxed before impact?   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Did you brace yourself before impact?   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Was your body, torso, and head facing straight ahead?   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Was your head &/or torso turned to the <i>left</i> at the time of collision?  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Was your head &/or torso turned to the <i>right</i> at the time of collision?   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Were you intoxicated (alcohol) at the time of the crash?  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Were you wearing a seatbelt?  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Does your seatbelt have a shoulder harness?   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Were you holding onto the steering wheel at the time of impact?   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | If you were involved in a rear-end crash, did your car separate away from the striking vehicle after the crash? If so, you are indicating that after the crash, your car was pushed away from the striking vehicle. |

Indicate if your body hit something or if your body was hit by any of the following. Please draw lines, matching the left side to the right side.

head	windshield
face	side window
shoulder	side door
arm/hand	dashboard
front chest wall	knee bolster/glove compartment
side chest wall	seatbelt
hip/abdomen	frame of car near windows
knee	roof of vehicle
leg	another occupant/animal
foot	other _____

**Were any vehicle parts damaged in your car? If so, which ones?**

- |   |   |                                       |
|---|---|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> windshield     | <input type="checkbox"/> seat frame       | <input type="checkbox"/> knee bolster |
| <input type="checkbox"/> steering wheel | <input type="checkbox"/> side-rear window | <input type="checkbox"/> other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> dash           | <input type="checkbox"/> mirror           | <input type="checkbox"/> other: _____ |

**What were the road conditions at the time of the accident?**

- dry     wet     icy     other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Answer this section regardless of the type of crash; indicating those relevant to your case:**

- Yes     No    Did any of the front or side structures, such as the dashboard, side door, or floorboard of your car dent inward during the crash?
- Yes     No    Did the side door touch your body during the crash?
- Yes     No    Was the door(s) of your vehicle damaged to the point where you couldn't open it?
- Yes     No    Have you noticed any visible bruising on your body ever since the accident? If yes, where? \_\_\_\_\_

**Have you been unable to work since the injury?**

- Yes     No    If yes, how much did you miss work?     partially     completely

**List the dates you were absent from work:** From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

**Did you experience neck pain and/or back pain so severe that you were unable to get out of bed? If yes, how many hours after the accident did you develop this disabling level of pain?**

- Yes; \_\_\_\_\_ hours     No

**Answer this section if you were involved in a REAR-END COLLISION ONLY:**

**Does your vehicle have:**

- movable / adjustable head restraints
- fixed, non-movable head restraints
- no headrests in my vehicle

**Please indicate how your head restraint was positioned at the time of the crash:**

- level with the top of your head
- midway height on the back of your head
- lower height on the back of your head
- located at the level of your neck
- located at the level of your shoulder blades (upper back) below neck

**Estimate the distance between the back of your head & the front of the headrest.**

Approximately \_\_\_\_\_ inches.

- Yes    No   Did your car separate away from the striking vehicle after the crash?  
If yes, you are indicating that after the crash, your car was pushed away from the striking vehicle and your car did not stay attached.

**What happened right after the accident?**

- Yes    No   Did you go to the emergency room afterward?  
If yes, Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of emergency room: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_
- Yes    No   Did you go to the emergency room in an ambulance?  
 Yes    No   Did you or another person drive you to emergency?  
Name of other person: \_\_\_\_\_
- Yes    No   Were you hospitalized after being seen in the emergency room?  
If yes, how many days were you hospitalized? \_\_\_\_\_
- Yes    No   Did the emergency room doctor take X-rays?  
If yes, what regions were x-rays taken? (Check all that apply.)  
 skull/face    ribs/chest    neck or middle back  
 collar bone    lower back    shoulder, arm, or hand  
 leg or foot    pelvis/hip    other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Yes    No   Did the hospital or clinic take a MRI or CT of your body?  
If yes, indicate the area of body tested.  
 skull    neck    lower back, pelvis/hip    other
- Yes    No   Did you have broken bones/fractures? If yes, where? \_\_\_\_\_
- Yes    No   Did you have a cast put on the fracture? If yes, where? \_\_\_\_\_
- Yes    No   Did you have any dislocations? If yes, where? \_\_\_\_\_
- Yes    No   Did you have any cuts or lacerations? If yes, where? \_\_\_\_\_
- Yes    No   Did you have any skin abrasions? If yes, where? \_\_\_\_\_
- Yes    No   Did you need stitches for any cuts? If yes, where? \_\_\_\_\_

**What happened right after the accident? (continued)**

- Yes    No   Did you have any visible bruises or lumps? Where? \_\_\_\_\_
- Yes    No   Did the emergency room doctor give you any medications?  
If yes, check all that apply and also write the name of medication:
- pain pills: \_\_\_\_\_
- muscle relaxants: \_\_\_\_\_
- other medications: \_\_\_\_\_
- Yes    No   Were you told you have a herniated disc? If yes, where? \_\_\_\_\_
- Yes    No   Were you given a neck brace to wear?
- Yes    No   Did you require any surgery after the accident?  
If yes, what type? \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_
- Yes    No   Were you hospitalized overnight? If yes, when? \_\_\_\_\_

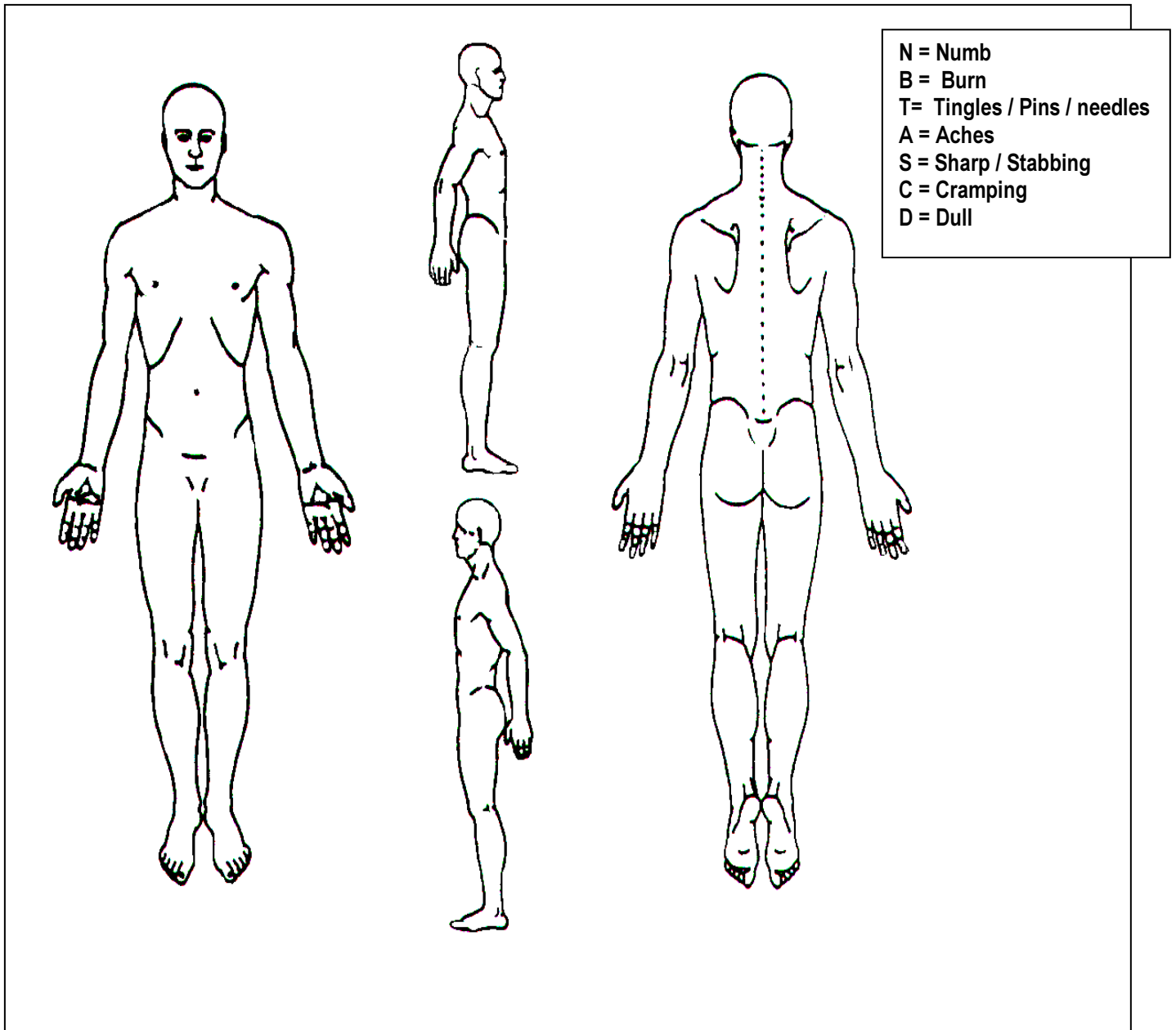
**How soon after your injury did you first notice any pain or soreness?**

- immediately / less than 30 minutes    within \_\_\_\_ hours after the injury
- within \_\_\_\_ days after the injury

**If you did not see a doctor for the first time within the two weeks, indicate why.  
(Check all that apply only if you had delay in seeing a doctor):**

- no pain was noticed    thought pain would go away
- no appropriate schedule available    no transportation
- work/home schedule conflicts    other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mark the areas on your body where you feel the described sensations. Use the appropriate symbol. Mark areas of radiation. Include all affected areas.



Since the accident, On a scale between 0-10, please rate your pain levels below:

What is your average pain level? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your pain level at its best? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your pain level at its worst? \_\_\_\_\_

List and describe the doctors/therapists you have seen and all the tests done since the injury. Start with the emergency room (if you went), then the first doctor you saw after your injury. List in order all of the doctors, therapists, and massage therapists up to your last doctor/therapist seen. Check all that apply for each of the following:

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Name of hospital/doctor/therapist/center: \_\_\_\_\_  
Specialty: \_\_\_\_\_ Date first seen: \_\_\_\_\_  
Treatment type: \_\_\_\_\_ Treatment frequency: \_\_\_\_\_  
Treatment duration: \_\_\_\_\_ Currently under treatment:  Yes  No  
Any disability?  Yes; describe: \_\_\_\_\_  
 No  
Special test(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Referred to: \_\_\_\_\_  
Did treatment help?  Yes  No  made condition worse  
Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

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Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

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Other Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the above statements are true to the best of my knowledge.

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**Patient Signature**

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**Date**