
Baton Rouge Car Accident Prevention Toolkit

Practical driving steps + what to save if a crash happens.

How to use this toolkit: Pick one prevention habit to tighten up this week, and keep the post-crash checklist in your glove box or phone notes.

Quick prevention checklist (daily):

- Keep a safe speed for rain, darkness, and congestion.
- Leave a buffer zone: 3+ seconds behind, more in bad weather.
- Pause at intersections and look left-right-left before entering.
- Avoid phone use while driving; set navigation before you roll.
- Assume others may merge late; keep an escape route.

First 72 hours after a crash (proof checklist):

- Take wide and close photos of vehicles, plates, and damage.
- Photograph the full scene: lanes, signals, signs, and debris.
- Get witness names and numbers; note what they saw.
- Save dashcam clips and any tow/repair receipts.
- Write a short symptom and activity note the same day.

Common insurer narratives vs what helps:

Narrative	What helps
“Low impact”	Photos, repair records, symptom timeline
“You shared fault”	Scene photos, witness notes, dashcam
“You waited too long”	Care timeline, work restrictions, notes

If you need legal advice, talk to a Louisiana lawyer about your specific facts and deadlines.

Infographic 1: Evidence Blueprint

Five steps to reduce crash risk and preserve proof quickly.

Evidence Blueprint

Car Accident Prevention
+ Post-Crash Proof

- 1 Set a Safe Speed**
Match rain + traffic
Not the fastest car
- 2 Leave a Buffer Zone**
3+ seconds behind
More in rain at night
- 3 Own the Intersection**
Look left-right-left
Assume a late runner
- 4 If a Crash Happens**
Get safe + call 911
Then document calmly
- 5 Build a Clean Timeline**
Events, calls, care
Keep it consistent

First 72 Hours Checklist

- Photos of vehicles
- Road + weather
- Witness names
- Medical notes
- Dashcam copies
- Save tow receipts

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Infographic 2: Defense vs Evidence

Common claim attacks—and the documentation that closes gaps.

Defense vs Evidence	
Common Claim Attacks and the Proof to Keep	
Defense Angle	Evidence Anchor
Claim: Speeding Too Fast for rain + traffic	Dashcam video Scene photos Vehicle data
Claim: Tailgating Followed too close	Skid + debris Crash diagram Location photos
Claim: Distracted Phone use eyes off road	Phone records App time stamps Witness notes
Claim: Low impact no injury "You're fine now"	Care visit notes Symptom timeline Work limits proof

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If you were hurt in a crash, the first days matter because vehicles get repaired, videos disappear, and stories harden. We focus on fast evidence preservation and trial-ready preparation so the record stays clean.

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What to bring if you have it:

- Crash report number (if available)
- Photos/videos and witness info
- Tow/repair estimates and rental records
- A short symptom/activity timeline

Outcomes depend on the facts, and deadlines can apply. This toolkit is general information and is not legal advice.