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# **GOOD SAMARITAN LAWS AND BYSTANDER ASSISTANCE**

Rumors continue to exist today where someone will tell you that you can be held liable for a person's injuries simply because you tried to help them. They suggest that the fact you have touched a person suddenly transfers blame for their injury to you.

Don't let people scare you by telling you that you can be held liable for another person's injuries by trying to help them. There are Good Samaritan laws that offer legal protection to people who give reasonable assistance to those who are injured, ill, in peril, or otherwise incapacitated.

In general, if you were acting as a Good Samaritan and not being paid or accepting any compensation for your help, you cannot be held liable for the person's injuries unless you were the person who caused the injury to start with. However, you could be held liable for a person's injuries if, through gross negligence, you caused more injuries.

Good Samaritan laws vary from state to state. The information regarding volunteer protection acts are often part of a state's statutes on courts or judicial remedies. Every state organizes its statutes differently and some have a number of different codes not just one state code, which can complicate the matter.

Our attorneys are available to meet with you or your motorcycle organization to provide insight and specific knowledge regarding the Good Samaritan laws that apply in our state.

If you are a road captain, or are planning a rally, contact our office. We want you to have correct information regarding your rights and responsibilities when witnessing a motorcycle accident or providing life-saving assistance to injured riders. Call our office to learn more.

Lookup Motorcycle Laws By State: If you would like more details about motorcycle laws in our state, or in an area you will be traveling to, you can go to this website: http://getmore-info.com/laws



The National Academy of Motorcycle Injury Lawyers is giving away a sleek new 2019 Harley Davidson FXDR 114! Go online to register and you could be the winner of this beautiful bike. Fast on the straights. Agile on the corners. It will blow your senses away!!!



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# MAKES YOU HAPPIER, HEALTHIER, AND SMARTER

Most any motorcyclist will confirm that riding takes them to a happy place. We all know the exhilarating feeling of freedom that comes while riding. The feel of the wind, the intensity of the smells in the air, the vibrant views that come at you as if you're wearing 3D glasses...

And your brain gets stimulated from the concentration it takes to ride a motorcycle, which activates the prefrontal areas of the brain. From shifting and stopping, to counter-steering, cornering, negotiating curves, and avoiding hazards on the road your mind stays in high gear because you are so in tuned to your surroundings.

## BUT DO MOTORCYCLES REALLY MAKE YOU STRONGER AND SMARTER?

A study by Kawishima at the University of Tokyo, titled "The relationship between motorcycle riding and the human mind," tested male motorcyclists between 40 and 50. They evaluated two groups, regular use cyclists and a non-rider control group. Each individual was examined for brain function and cognitive skills.

After two months on two wheels, research results were able to conclude riders who drove their motorcycles to the office daily had increased cognitive functioning when compared to those who did not. When they analyzed the data produced by the men, who were also asked to repeat a set of numbers in reverse order, consistent motorcycle riders' scores had increased more than 50 percent. In contrast, the control group's scores slightly decreased.

In addition to keep your mind on its best game, riding has been proven to have a positive impact on mental health, helping mood and reducing stress. The study's rider participants noted that after 60 days of consistent motorcycle use, they had reduced stress levels and were generally happier.

You know that adrenaline rush you get each time you accelerate on your bike? That's the release of endorphins. Not only do endorphins feel great, they help improve your mood as well. It makes sense: When was the last time you came across someone who was mad or stressed out because they were riding a motorcycle?

In a nutshell, the study shows that riding motorcycles provides improved cognitive functioning, better concentration, less stress, better memory and reasoning, mind stimulation, and a great form of exercise.

Does it still count if you're on the back? The study didn't cover that one...

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# **18 STRANGE MOTORCYCLES You Never Knew Existed**

Most motorcycle designs are typical and predictable, from the driving systems to the seating position. However, what if we showed you a different world of motorcycles, which is nothing like you've ever seen before? Take this tour of 18 strange motorcycles which veered from the norm. We bet there are at least a couple you could have never imagined and did not know they existed. Everything from box bikes, and steam-powered motorcycles, to motorized unicycles. Don't miss the infamous Roadog, built by Wild Bill Gelbke in the 1960s.

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## **Learn Your Biker Rights BEFORE YOU GET HURT**

Knowledge is power and protection. Call our office TODAY at (833) IL CYCLE or visit our website to request "Your Legal Guide To Motorcycle Injury Compensation: What Bikers MUST KNOW About Insurance Claims, Injury Settlements & Jury Verdicts". You owe it to yourself and your family to be prepared and to know your rights.

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# Going To The STURGIS MOTORCYCLE RALLY?

Make your plans now for the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally in Sturgis, South Dakota -- August 2nd to 11th. The 79th Sturgis Rally features many scenic rides, including one to Mt. Rushmore. There is also an adventure ride that is new this year. Visit the many vendors, participate in the beard contest, and join the Mayor's Charity Poker Tournament. With about a half-million attendees in this small town you'd better be prepared to camp following the nightly concerts by such stars as Keith Urban, Toby Keith, Styx, George Thorogood and others.

> Get all the info you need for this special event: https://sturgismotorcyclerally.com/

# **MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS VIDEO**

There are almost a half million views of this video. Share it with your local high school, driving instructors, and any young drivers you know. It would make our roads much safer if videos like this were required in all driver's education classes.

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