



NYC Personal Injury Attorney says Motorcycle Safety is Responsibility of Everyone on the Streets

Attorney David Resnick of David Resnick & Associates, P.C., reminds all drivers that ‘Share the Road’ means everyone must work to reduce New York motorcycle accidents, injuries and deaths.

New York ([PRWEB](#)) May 19, 2011 -- [New York City accident and personal injury attorney](#) David Resnick said this week that Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month is a good time for riders and drivers to remember that “share the road” is the watchword for those on and off of bikes to avoid accidents, injuries and deaths.

“Safe motorcycle travel is a two-way road,” said Resnick, the founder of David Resnick & Associates, P.C., of New York City. “Motorcyclists need to be conspicuous to car drivers, and those in cars have to be aware of those who are on motorcycles.

“Motorcycles fit easily into motorists’ blind spots, for example, making it especially important to check carefully before changing lanes and when entering intersections, whether you’re in a car or on a bike.”

Resnick has represented people suffering death and catastrophic injuries in [New York motorcycle accidents](#) and [automotive accidents](#) for more than 20 years.

Federal, state and local highway safety and law enforcement officials, and motorcycle organizations have joined to proclaim May as “Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month.”

Motorcyclists are vulnerable to injury if involved in wrecks, particularly in collisions involving automobiles. New York State Department of Motor Vehicle statistics for 2009 – the latest statistics available – show 5,150 motorcycle accidents, with 2,789 (54 percent) involving “non-motorcycle drivers.”

The same numbers show 146 motorcycle operators killed and zero fatalities among “non-motorcycle drivers,” as well as five motorcycle passengers killed versus zero passengers of other vehicles killed.

Resnick suggested a few safety tips for motorcyclists and motorists:

- Motorcycle riders should always wear proper protective gear, including a helmet that meets Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard 218, and brightly colored clothing that makes them more visible.
- Automobile drivers should avoid sharing lanes with motorcycles and, when that’s not possible, allow multiple car lengths of distance between their car and the motorcyclist.
- Riders and drivers should always use turn signals to indicate their intentions. Motorcyclists should use hand signals in addition to their motorcycle’s turn signal, and car drivers should remember that because motorcycle turn signals do not always turn off automatically, additional attention to a motorbike’s movement is required.

“It’s all about awareness, which goes back to responsibility,” Resnick said. “All of us, regardless of our mode of transportation – motorcycle, car, bicycle or foot – can reduce the number of accidents, injuries and deaths by



making the effort to follow rules and regulations, and by looking out for the other guy as well as ourselves,” the New York personal injury lawyer said.

“But when the driver of any vehicle doesn’t live up to their responsibilities, and this results in a collision that causes injury to you or the death of a loved one, you have rights that should be protected,” Resnick said.

“You need a professional, experienced advocate on your side, and we at David Resnick & Associates are proud to bring our many years of experience to the aid of injured New Yorkers.”

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