

# TOP 10 CAUSES

## Of Motorcycle Accidents

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### Left-Turning Cars

To avoid this type of accident, you need to see it coming. Look for any indicators that a vehicle in front of you may turn left. Be cautious at intersections, near driveways and close to parking lots.

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### Gravel and Debris

You can avoid this type of accident by avoiding the situation altogether. Ride at speeds that are right for the road conditions and your range of vision. If possible, only travel on well-maintained, paved roads.

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### Cornering Too Fast

Avoid this by remembering: Slow in, fast out.. If you do enter a corner too fast, take as much lean off the bike as you can and let it do its job. Don't slam on your brakes, and don't hit the accelerator.

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### Cars Changing Lanes

Keep yourself safe by not riding next to a vehicle if you can help it. Always look for signs that a car may be getting ready to change lanes, and be extra vigilant in slow traffic where people may be getting impatient.

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### Being Rear-Ended

Make sure that you are positioning yourself in such a way that a rear-end accident will have less impact. If you can stop to the side of the lane instead of the center, especially with the front part of your bike next to another car, you're better off.

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### Inexperienced Riders

Avoid accidents by ensuring that everyone you are riding with is aware of how to ride in a group. Staggered formation is the way to go. It gives everyone a better line of site and can prevent one bike from crashing into another.

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### Front Brakes Lock

Before you use your front brake, you need how to use it. Practice makes perfect in this case. Know what your front brake will do to your bike at different speeds. You can practice in an open parking lot without posing a threat to yourself or other people.

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### Open Car Doors

This is a problem for people pedaling a bike and those riding motorcycle. You're moving down the road when a car door suddenly opens. This is actually an easy accident to avoid if you stay out of the lane that is next to parked cars.

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### Slick Pavement

If you run into inclement weather suddenly, slow down and be prepared to make evasive maneuvers if necessary. Know that the visibility of other drivers on the road may be limited and drive accordingly.

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### Drunk Riding

In 2016, about 26 percent of riders killed in fatal motorcycle accidents had a blood alcohol content of 0.08% or higher — in other words, they were legally drunk. It's very easy to avoid this kind of accident: Don't drink and ride.

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