

ACCIDENT COMPENSATION COMMISSION, FIJI

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WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT COMPENSATION CLAIMS FOR INJURIES OR DEATH FROM MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS

1. What Does ACCF Do?

The Accident Compensation Commission, Fiji (ACCF) provides compensation for any personal injury or death, as a result of an accident in Fiji occurring on or after 1 January 2018, involving your registered motor vehicle. Under the scheme there is no need to establish fault or negligence, however, there are exclusions that apply, as listed below.

2. Who Is Entitled To Compensation?

All passengers, drivers (inside registered motor vehicles), and pedestrians involved in an accident will receive compensation if they qualify, provided no exclusions apply as listed below.

3. How Much Compensation is paid?

•	Permanent Partial Incapacity	\$75,000	(Maximum)
•	Permanent Total Incapacity	\$150,000	(Maximum)
•	Any other cases (other than the above)	\$75,000	(Maximum)
•	Death	\$75,000	(Maximum)

If compensation is paid by ACCF, no further claims against ACCF or any person can be made for compensation or damages for personal injuries or death by, or on behalf of the victim for whom compensation is paid.

4. How Do You Apply for Compensation?

- Application forms are available at any LTA branch, at <u>www.accf.com.fj</u> or the ACCF office in Valelevu, Nasinu.
- Fill in the application form and provide all information requested.
- Provide certified true copies of your photo ID (e.g. joint card), police report, medical report, birth
 certificate, death certificate (if relevant), and bank statement. You may need to provide other
 information depending on the nature of the application, e.g. Probate or Letters of Administration.
- Lodge the application at any LTA office, or post or deliver to the ACCF office in Valelevu.
- You must apply within 3 years from the date of the accident.

5. Exclusions: Compensation cannot be claimed in the following situations:

- Driving under the influence of alcohol/drugs (or being convicted of such an offence) or refusing a breath/blood test.
- Not holding a valid driving licence authorising that person to drive the motor vehicle of the class or use for which it is registered.
- Failing to comply with all the conditions of your driving licence.
- Being convicted for any act or omission that directly caused the accident.
- Suicide or attempted suicide.
- For any injury or death that did not directly arise from the accident.
- Where the owner of a vehicle failed to pay the Motor Vehicle Accident Levy.

ACCF will NOT consider the following:

- An application where the applicant refuses to provide particulars and information.
- An application for a person who refuses to undergo a medical assessment.
- A fraudulent application.
- An application that has been previously determined by the ACCF.