



TYPES OF HOLIDAY ACCIDENTS

Many **different types** of **holiday accident exist**, you will note but a few detailed below. If any of them **sound familiar**, then Simpson Millar LLP can provide you with **advice on your rights to compensation**.

Types of holiday accidents:

- Package holiday accidents
- General holiday accidents
- Hotel accidents
- Road accidents abroad
- Slips/trips/falls abroad
- Water sports accidents abroad
- Skiing accidents
- Cruise ship accidents
- Holiday accidents in the UK

You can claim **compensation** for nearly **all accidents** through the **English Courts**.



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Accident Type	Description	Injuries/Liability
Package Holiday Accidents	<p>If you received an injury or illness and booked your trip through a UK Tour Operator, you may have a potential claim for compensation. The Package Travel, Package Holiday, and Package Tour Regulations 1992 provide protection for people who suffer a holiday injury or illness.</p> <p>These Regulations state that a package deal consists of two out of three of the following activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ transport ▪ accommodation ▪ other tourist services, such as excursions which amount to a significant activity 	<p>Liability will probably lie with the Tour Operator and the additional benefit of making a holiday accident claim in the UK is the amount of compensation awarded. The UK can potentially give out higher awards than abroad.</p>
General Holiday Accidents	<p>Involvement in an accident abroad through no fault of your own, you may have a potential compensation claim.</p>	<p>Unfortunately many people get injured or become ill when on holiday due to poor food hygiene and safety standards.</p>
Hotel Accidents	<p>If you have slipped, tripped or fallen and suffered injury at a hotel or in the hotel grounds and the fault lay elsewhere, you may have a potential compensation claim.</p> <p>Some of the most common types of holiday injuries that occur in hotel rooms include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ slips and falls in the bath or shower ▪ cuts and bruising from poorly placed shelves and cabinets ▪ falls from balconies 	<p>Adequate safety measures should prevail to ensure the protection of guests and visitors from reasonably foreseeable risk of injury or harm. However, many hotels do not meet the level of health and safety required of them and as a result the hotelier becomes negligent while innocent people suffer holiday injuries or illness.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ electric shocks 	
Road Accidents Abroad	<p>If you have had a road traffic accident abroad through no fault of your own, as a driver, passenger or pedestrian, then you may have a potential compensation claim.</p> <p>If you obtained your injuries from an uninsured driver or the victim of a "hit and run" involving an untraced driver, you could still succeed with a claim for compensation, as there is a centrally administered motor insurance bureau, which ensures that victims of road traffic accidents can recover compensation.</p> <p>Dependent upon the circumstances, you can bring a claim in the UK directly against the driver's insurers or their claims representatives in the UK.</p>	<p>In some countries, passengers, pedestrians and cyclists may have an automatic right to claim compensation for a road traffic accident, even if nobody is at fault.</p> <p>In a successful claim, damages can be substantial and you will need specialist advice to ensure that you receive an amount that justifies your injuries and any ongoing losses, as necessary.</p>
Slips/Trips/Falls Abroad	<p>If you have slipped, tripped or fallen abroad through no fault of your own, you may have a potential compensation claim.</p>	<p>These injuries occur due to the low health and safety standards abroad.</p>
Water Sports Accidents Abroad	<p>If you have had a water sports accident abroad through no fault of your own, whilst in the water, participating in activities such as scuba diving or jet skiing then you may have a potential compensation claim.</p>	<p>Common causes of injuries:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ badly maintained or dangerous equipment ▪ inadequate training ▪ lack of supervision, or ▪ insufficient, or the absence of, warning signs

Personal Injury

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Skiing Accidents	If you have had an accident whilst skiing or snowboarding abroad , you may have a potential compensation claim .	Depending on the circumstances it may be possible to bring a claim against the Tour Operator in the English jurisdiction . For example if you have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ received inadequate or defective equipment or given insufficient training or supervision, or ▪ if you have slipped due to the build up of snow or ice on the walkways of your resort <p>you could have a claim.</p>
Cruise Ship Accident	If you have had an accident whilst on board a Cruise ship , you may have a potential compensation claim .	You may have tripped or slipped on a defect in the walkways of the ship, suffered food poisoning or injured yourself whilst on an organised excursion/activity .
Holiday Accidents in the UK	If you have incurred an injury whilst on holiday in the UK , depending on the circumstances, you may have a potential compensation claim from the Tour Operator or directly against the hotel/resort you stayed at.	If you have had an accident whilst sight seeing or on an activity not organised through the Tour Operator/hotel , again depending on the circumstances , then you may also have a right of action against the activity organisers or local authority .

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