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## Everyday hazards and injuries

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### Personal Injury Lawyer Parramatta - Public Liability

Accidents sometimes occur when they are least expected - for example, when taking a walk down the street or doing the grocery shopping.

Often people are unaware of their legal rights when they are injured in those circumstances. They may be unaware that the owner or occupier of the premises has a duty to take reasonable care to prevent certain hazards.

Public liability covers a broad range of claims where injuries are sustained as a result of the negligence of an owner or occupier. Examples of such claims include slip and falls, food poisoning, dog attacks, sporting and playground accidents.

In the event of such an injury, you may be able to bring a claim against the owner or occupier's insurer. Depending on the extent of injury, this could include entitlements to lump sum compensation for pain and suffering, loss of enjoyment of life, medical expenses, lost wages and domestic assistance.

If you or someone you know is injured in such circumstances it is important to:

1. Take photos of where the injury occurred and the surroundings
2. Obtain details from any witnesses
3. Consult a doctor for treatment and describe your injuries in detail
4. Report the incident to the relevant owner of the premises or authority

Time limits apply to these types of claims. It is essential that you seek the assistance of a personal injury lawyer to ensure your rights are protected and evidence is obtained early on.

Our Personal Injury Lawyers can provide practical solutions and exceptional results in relation to your compensation claim, on a No Win, No Fee basis. Call **1300 773 529** or email a personal injury lawyer at [info@matthewsfolbigg.com.au](mailto:info@matthewsfolbigg.com.au). We can then arrange an initial telephone conference to discuss.

**Matthews Folbigg has over 50 years' experience protecting personal injury and compensation rights of people living in Parramatta and the Hills.**