

Car Accidents in Truck's "Blind Spot"

4th of July will result in car accident with truck's "blind spots." While we are focused on defensive driving due to drunk drivers, let's remember that blind spot accidents are the leading cause of auto accidents.

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Truckers call them no zone areas. We call them blind spots and trucks have enormous ones. Typically, the larger the truck, the larger the blind spot. When a car, motorcycle, or pedestrian is within a truck's blind spot, an accident with serious injury may ensue. Many motorists mistakenly believe that truck drivers have a better view of the road because they sit higher than the driver of a car. In reality, large vehicle drivers have serious blind spots where a car can disappear from view.

This has led to warning sign being posted on the semi-trucks. This doesn't mean the truck driver isn't liable should his/her action lead to a car accident. Charleston is a major shipping port and tourist destination. On the 4th of July this combination will result in car accident resulting in serious injuries and wrongful death.

Be aware and cautious—avoid the dreaded no zone areas. A truck is surrounded by blind spots and the most dangerous areas include:

Side no zones

Side no zones are the most well-known and perhaps the most dangerous of all of a truck's blind spots.

Located along either side of the truck, they usually extend from directly behind the cab to the back end of the trailer. To avoid car accidents in these no-zone areas, make sure that you can see the truck driver's face in their side mirrors. A good rule of thumb is that if you cannot see the driver in the truck's rear-view mirror, he or she cannot see you either. A truck is significantly larger and frequently results in a significant car accident with injury.

Rear no zone

Since most large trucks are hauling trailers, they cannot use rear-view mirrors to check for vehicles behind them. The blind spot behind tractor-trailers can contain entire vehicles. This is why there are audible warns, but those don't help you avoid a car accident if you can't hear them. When traveling behind a large truck remain back far enough so that the driver can see your car in their side mirrors.

Front no zone

Most trucks have an elevated cab and this positions the truck driver in a seat that is much higher than those in other types of vehicles. If a small car is too close to the front of a truck, the driver may look right over them, not seeing them at all.

If you've been injured in a car accident involving a 18 wheeler, consider Anastopoulo and Clore. Their accomplishments speak for themselves and can be viewed at: <http://crashlitigators.com/>

For more information regarding blind spots: <http://crashlitigators.com/truck-accident-causes/truck-bl...>

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If you suffer injuries or have property damage due to a blind spot truck accident, let the trucking accident attorneys at the Law Offices of Anastopoulo & Clore, LLC get you the compensation you deserve. Call toll-free at 888-221-4440.

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