



Claim Deadlines

This Info Sheet provides basic information on claim deadlines;
it is not meant to be a substitute for legal advice.
If you are unsure of what deadlines apply to your situation, seek legal advice.

There are various deadlines that apply to claiming ICBC Accident Benefits for medical care and income loss, to claiming other benefits, and to Personal Injury Claims. The following description of various deadlines is meant as a guideline only, because calculating certain deadlines can be quite complicated. In order to be sure about deadlines, consult us.

Deadlines regarding your claim for ICBC Accident Benefits for Medical Care and Income Loss

There are three specific deadlines set out in the Insurance (Vehicle) Regulation that affect your claim for ICBC Accident Benefits:

- The first is that you “promptly” give ICBC notice of your accident. The general practice is that “promptly” means **within 36 hours** of the accident.
- The second deadline requires that you submit a written statement to ICBC **within 30 days** of the date of the accident. This statement need only state that an accident happened and who was involved. (Do not let ICBC write a statement for you. If you consult a lawyer, he or she can prepare and submit your statement to ICBC on your behalf.)
- The third deadline requires submission of a proof of claim form **within 90 days** of the accident. ICBC refers to this form as a CL22 Form. We have a copy of this form and can submit it for you, if you retain us as your lawyer.

For more information on ICBC Accident Benefits claims, see our [Info Sheet 2, Claiming ICBC Benefits for Medical Care and Rehabilitation – Any Injured Person](#) and [Info Sheet 3, Claiming ICBC Benefits for Income Loss and Homemaker Expenses](#).

Deadlines regarding other benefits

Benefit providers other than ICBC have their own deadlines for applying for coverage.

For more information on other benefit providers, the benefits they offer, and their eligibility requirements, see our [Info Sheet 5, Other Types of Benefit Coverage, When to Collect](#); and [Info Sheet 14, ICBC and WorkSafe Coverage, Workers in Motor Vehicle Accidents](#).

**Deadlines
regarding
your personal
injury claim**

Generally, you must make a Personal Injury Claim **within two years** of the date of the accident. This two-year limitation period may not apply to infants and those deemed mentally incompetent, in which case the limitation periods may be extended.

Also, if you are suing a city or municipality because of a roadway hazard, you must notify the city or municipality **within 60 days**.

These are areas that require legal analysis and you must consult a lawyer immediately; there is no advantage to waiting.

For more information on Personal Injury Claims, see our **Info Sheet 1, *Making a Personal Injury Claim – Innocent Victims of Accidents***.