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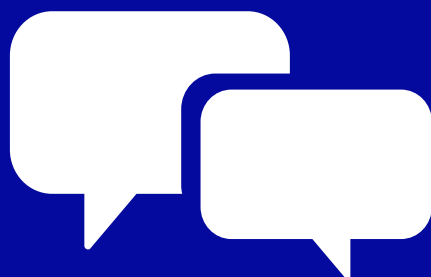
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Parking Lots During the Holidays...

A DANGER ZONE

INCREASED RISK

The National Safety Council (NSC) reports that tens of thousands of vehicle collisions occur in parking lots and garages every year. During the holidays, that risk increases due to more distractions, rushing around, more traffic, and even inclement weather.



SHOCKING STATISTICS

The NSC took a poll revealing that 66% of drivers make phone calls while driving through parking lots, 63% program their GPS, 56% text, 52% use social media, 50% check and send emails, and 49% take photos or watch videos.
<https://www.nsc.org/road-safety/safety-topics/distracted-driving/parking-lot-safety>.

SAFETY TIPS

- Don't rely on back up cameras alone - check your blind spots and your surroundings before backing up.
- Use pull through parking if you can or back into your parking space, so you're facing forward when you're ready to leave.
- Stay in lanes - don't cut across the parking lot.

SAFETY TIPS

- Check for pedestrians.
- Park further out
- Back into your parking space
- Put down your cell phone and avoid distractions
- Walk in safe spots whenever possible - side walks and cross walks.
- Use your turn signal - yes, even in the parking lot.
- Do a walk around of your vehicle before getting in to leave.

If you've been injured in a parking lot due to someone else's negligence, contact an experienced personal injury attorney.



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