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CVC	CA Bicyclist Laws - Description
21200	Rights and duties of riders / Rules of the road
	<i>All the rights and is subject to all the provisions applicable to the driver of a vehicle</i>
21650.(1)	Operation of bicycle in same direction/right side of road
21650(g)	Operation of bicycle on sidewalk ok/unless local rule
21202	Bicycle on roadway - close as practicable to curb/edge
	<i>Operating a bicycle upon a roadway at a speed less than normal speed of traffic...shall ride as close as practicable to the right hand curb or edge...except:</i> <i>1) ...overtaking and passing another bicycle</i> <i>2) Left turn</i> <i>3) When reasonably necessary to avoid conditions, (fixed or moving objects, surface hazards or substances within lanes)... that make it unsafe to continue along the right hand curb or edge, subject to 21656</i>
21656	Turning out of slow vehicles - 5 or more if 2-lane highway
21670	3 Feet for safety Act/ prudent pass only but 21656 applies
	<i>(b) the driver of a vehicle overtaking and passing a bicycle in the same direction shall pass at a safe distance that does not interfere in the safe operation of the overtaken bicycle having due regard for conditions</i> <i>(c) shall not overtake...a distance less than 3 feet</i> <i>(d) if driver unable to comply with (c), driver shall slow to a speed and may only pass when safe to do so</i>
21208(a)	Ride in bike lane, except may move out to avoid debris, or other hazardous conditions, etc. as in 21202
22517	Vehicle doors, opening to traffic when unsafe prohibited

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<b>Step</b>	<b>Bicyclist Injury Rights - Protected</b>
<b>At Crash Scene</b>	
Call Police	Report injury from collision - if pain or abrasion/cut etc.
Ambulance	Ok to decline, but tell police regions of pain, i.e. neck, shoulder, etc and will see your own doctor
Statements	Do not admit fault, talk with police, do give your version
Scene Photos/Video	Best if taken by friends: get license plates, roadway views
Obtain Information, Render assistance (Call 911)	CVC 20001 duty to stop at scene of an accident CVC 20002 duty to stop property damage CVC 20003 duty upon injury / death, exchange info: address, names of all occupants, name of owner
<b>Medical</b>	
At scene	Ambulance or report all pain regions to police
Same Day	Go to ER/Urgent Care report all regions of pain
Same week	Go to primary and follow-up, x-rays, medications? etc. Take photos as bruises or abrasions/cuts progress
Following week	Return to primary re: PT or specialist/MRI? etc.
<b>Insurance Companies</b>	
Other Driver	Do not provide recorded statements before attorney, best to avoid if considering attorney
Your own Auto Insurance	Report crash as to cause of accident and to see what coverages apply to bikes, such as extra medical, etc. but give very brief report as to injuries
<b>Bike and Gear Repair</b>	
Bicycle Repair Delay	No repair until claim inspection
Document Damage	Photos and estimate from purchased shop
Helmet	Find receipt and replace
Bicycling clothing	No repair, photos, find receipts or catalog for similar items