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WHAT CAN YOU DO IF YOU SEE A DOG IN A HOT CAR THIS SUMMER?

This summer has been super hot across the country. We have been warmer than I remember here in Washington as well. If you saw a dog trapped in a hot car would you know what to do? Keeping our furry friends safe should be just as important as keeping our children safe when it comes to summer heat.

Never leave your dog in the car on a summer day. Even if you have the windows cracked it can still be too hot for your dog. When the temperature outside is 72 degrees the temperature inside your car can reach up to 110+ degrees. You would never sit and wait in a car that hot (with a fur coat on), so why should your dog?

If you see a dog has been left in a hot car here is what you should do:

- **CALL 911**
- **TAKE DOWN THE CAR'S INFORMATION**
Write down the license plate number, color, make and model of the car.
- **CHECK NEARBY SHOPS TO FIND THE OWNER**
You can even ask the store to make an announcement.
- **WAIT WITH THE DOG UNTIL HELP ARRIVES**

If help doesn't arrive and you can't find the owner, it is legal to break the window in these several states: Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Indiana, Kansas, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Ohio, Oregon, Tennessee, Vermont or Wisconsin.

BREAKING THE WINDOW SHOULD BE A LAST RESORT.

The current law in Washington only authorizes a police officer or animal control officer to break into a vehicle without being liable for the resulting damages. If you take the law into your own hands to save the dog by breaking the car window, realize you may also be responsible to pay to fix that window.

I suggest documenting everything via video or picture with your phone first. However, I'd do it every day, all day, if it meant saving a dog from suffering a cruel death like that!!

We at Max Meyers Law think Washington needs to join the 14 states listed above and allow citizens to act when needed!!

VEHICLE TEMPERATURE

OUTSIDE	INSIDE	TIME TO REACH
75	100	10 MINUTES
75	120	30 MINUTES
85	90	5 MINUTES
85	100	7-10 MINUTES
85	120	30 MINUTES
100	140	15 MINUTES



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Don't Look Now BUT SCHOOL STARTS AGAIN IN A MONTH

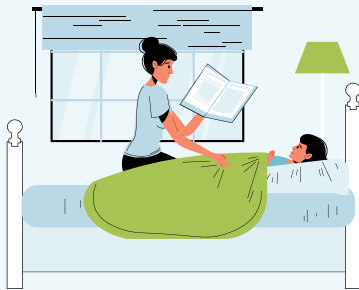
The poor kids have had a cruelly short summer this year, or does it just seem so to us?

September is just around the corner as is school beginning again for another year. August is the time when families get in that last vacation and prep for another school year. Here are a few tips:

GET YOUR KID THEIR OWN CALENDAR

Kids need their own calendar:

- A personal calendar provides kids a sense of ownership. This is theirs. The things that affect them.
- Knowing what to expect in their own lives provides a healthy feeling of power and control, which means they aren't grasping for power in unpleasant ways.
- "Knowing" you're safe and actually feeling safe are two different things. A visual calendar helps kids feel safe.



A calendar helps kids understand which days are school days and which days are the weekend. Use different stickers for different after school activities and appointments, so they always know what's next.

GET STARTED ON THE SCHOOL ROUTINE AHEAD OF TIME

Routines can get a little wonky during the summer (which is its own issue!) and the change back to school routines can be tough. Planning ahead a bit means you're not actually late in the morning while the kids get readjusted. Giving them a sense of control is key.

Start your bedtime routine two weeks before the school starts. This will help kids stick to a regular sleeping routine and get them used to what might be an earlier bedtime.

KEEP AN OPEN LINE OF COMMUNICATION

A new school year brings a whole host of new feelings and new experiences. Preparing your kids for change can be hard.

Try a picture book to prepare younger kids for feelings of overwhelm. And for elementary-aged kids, it's never too late to teach them the skills kids need to cope with all sorts of change.



August 3 - 12 Shakespeare in the Park

Bring a blanket or chair, and even a picnic to eat while watching a play by Shakespeare *The Tempest* in a park. Cost is Free.

Visit www.seattleshakespeare.org/woodeno/ for details.

August 4 - 6 Seafair Weekend Festival

Seafair Weekend Festival features hydroplanes racing on Lake Washington, the Blue Angels flying overhead in the Boeing Air Show, and classic cars parked on the lakeshore.

Visit www.seafair.org/ for details.

August 10 South Lake Union Block Party

Food from neighborhood eateries, beer/wine garden, local music and kids' activities.

Visit www.slublockparty.com/ for details.

August 18 - 20 Tattoo Expo

Admire art on skin at Seattle Tattoo Expo, with competitions, exhibitions, vendors, live music, karaoke, and a burlesque revue in Seattle Center Exhibition Hall. Cost \$30.

Visit www.seattletattooexpo.com/ for details.

August 21 - 27 Kite Festival

It's free to watch kite fliers compete at the Washington State International Kite Festival (or fly your own) in Long Beach on the windy Pacific Coast.

Visit www.kitefestival.com/ for details and schedule.

August Events



Commercial Delivery Vehicle Accidents - Are they Different?

We all encounter delivery vans every day on the roads of Washington. UPS, FedEx, and Amazon have lots of vehicles in neighborhoods every day. With more and more of us relying on online orders and home delivery, it will continue for a long time to come.

While most drivers prioritize safety, delivery van accidents happen with alarming regularity. In the aftermath of a serious collision, victims could encounter unexpected obstacles to recovery, making it all the more difficult to reclaim their independence and rebuild their lives.



TOP REASONS FOR COMMERCIAL DELIVERY VEHICLE ACCIDENTS

While some auto accidents are simply unavoidable, many occur when company employees and third party contractors make mistakes or negligent decisions. The most common causes of commercial vehicle related accidents include, but are not limited to:

- Commercial hours-of-service violations
- Fatigue and physical exhaustion
- Undertraining and driver inexperience
- Distracted driving
- Substance abuse

There are various causes, but the consequences of a collision—no matter how minor—can be devastating for survivors and their loved ones.

ESTABLISHING LIABILITY AFTER A SERIOUS SEATTLE-AREA DELIVERY CRASH
Washington, like most states, employs a fault-based automobile insurance system. This means accident victims must typically file a claim for compensation against the at-fault driver's insurance carrier to recover damages.

If the at-fault driver's policy limits can't fully compensate the victim's losses, they have the choice to file a personal injury lawsuit to recoup excess damages. The potential defendants in a commercial vehicle crash may include the following:

- The company, on behalf of an employee
- A cargo shipper
- A freight partner
- A contractor
- An automobile maker or automotive parts manufacturer

However, most large companies prioritize their profitability, often to the detriment of accident victims.

Commercial companies have a history of trying to limit their liability for automobile accidents by refusing to accept responsibility for employee and contractor negligence. Depending on the circumstances of your accident, the corporation could try claiming it's not liable for the accident because:



- The employee involved in the crash wasn't on the clock when the collision occurred.
- A third-party contractor caused the incident.
- It involved an automotive defect or faulty cargo.

Fortunately, accident victims don't have to accept these excuses in places of a fair settlement. If you suffered injuries in a commercial delivery vehicle accident, we can help.

Please call us at **425-276-7804** to set up your free consultation.

Shelly's RECIPE CORNER

Peach Cobbler

NOTHING SAYS SUMMER LIKE A FRESH JUICY PEACH! I'M A HUGE FAN OF PEACH COBBLERS, GIVE THIS ONE A TRY, IT'S A QUICK AND EASY RECIPE.

Ingredients:

- 1 ¾ pounds fresh peaches
- ½ cup (4 oz.) salted butter
- 1 cup self-rising flour
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 1 cup whole milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Directions:

Preheat oven to 350°F. Gently rub the peaches under running water to remove fuzz, and slice peaches. (You will have about 4 cups.) Place butter in an 11 x 7 inch baking dish; place dish in oven until butter melts.

Stir together flour, sugar, milk, and vanilla in a bowl, and pour onto melted butter. Do not stir. Spoon peaches over mixture. Do not stir.

Bake in preheated oven until brown and bubbly, about 45 to 50 minutes. Enjoy!



Recipe compliments of www.southernliving.com



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WHAT CLIENTS ARE SAYING ABOUT US

"I was involved in a collision between an automobile and bicycle. I reached out to Max and his team following the recommendation of one of the emergency service folks that showed up at the scene.

Working with Max and Team was great. They responded promptly and made all aspects of paperwork, billing, etc. simple so I could focus on recovery. The process takes a while, so having someone else to lean on for all these unfamiliar things made it worthwhile."

- Scott L.

"From start to finish they cared. It was my first time having to use an attorney for anything. Max and the team couldn't have made it any easier. I would refer him to any friend or family member in a heartbeat.

Thanks again!!!!!"

- Josh M.



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