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Personal Injury Compensation – The Edge

By Mohammad Latif

There are too many situations in which an accident injury can happen. Whether outside or at home, even if you are a careful person, the rest of the world is not as perfect. The only thing you can really do is to protect yourself from the painful consequences of personal injuries and, if anything happens to you, all you can do is claim for personal injury compensation.

All injuries, particularly the severe ones, have more or less traumatic experiences and they can seriously affect both your personal life and work. Such situations can make you a victim in two ways: first by the injury itself as damage to your health and second by the moral, social and material losses following the accident.

You can't turn back the flow of the time and avoid what has already happened but a personal injury claim can compensate you for the rest of your problems.

Bad Experiences?

In the past, many companies offered their services to injured people using harassing and not very honest methods. They intruded accident victims at home, pushed ill people into court cases and sucked their wallets dry regardless of the final verdicts.

Even if a person won their injury claim, they would get only a small piece of the compensation, because these companies took most of their money for their fees and other costs.

They didn't care about the well being of their clients – only about 'the profit'. People were bitter and they felt conned by their advisors – and any advisor should be a trustworthy person.

This situation changed with putting the 'No Win No Fee' policy into practice. What was even better, the policy evolved into 'Win Or No Win No Fee' rule. The new methods for solicitors had changed the form of injury compensation claims and made them what they should be from the very beginning: the help and relief for people suffering from personal injury.

What Does 'No Win – No Fee' Policy Really Mean?

Each personal injury compensation claim needs money. The injury has to be assessed and the medical report must be prepared. The court fees and other payments must be paid, too. And finally, the no win no fee solicitor should earn something as well.

But does it mean all these costs ought to be paid by you? Absolutely not! After all, the aftermath of an injury itself is expensive and troublesome enough and you need every penny from your compensation. More than just need: you deserve it!

The deal is simple. First of all: you choose a personal injury solicitor and contact them, not inversely.

If you employ them, the solicitor pays all the fees and bills along the way to your injury claim settlement. They take care of everything. These costs are paid by the solicitor whether you win or lose

your compensation claim. They put their money, not your, into the case and they take all the risk. If they lose your claim, you don't lose a penny – why would you, if they didn't help you?

If you win, you get 100% of your injury compensation money and the solicitor receives all payments, fees and bills from the losers or their insurance company. This kind of deal is absolutely safe for you and – what is quite logical – it assures you that the personal injury solicitor will do their best to win. As you can see, the 'No Win No Fee' method is simple and honest – no hidden costs, no small print, no strings attached.

Any personal injury is a big problem itself. Serious injuries can drastically change your life. But with the right solicitor's help and later, with the money from successful personal injury compensation claim, you can easily return to the normality.

The health problems, any psychological damage, costs of medical treatment, loss of income, job issues and many others losses may be compensated thanks to a personal injury claim.

It's easy to claim for personal injury compensation, if you know how. Learn the new injury claim culture at

<http://www.compensationsecrets.co.uk/personal-injury-compensation.html>

and get a free

assessment.

How To Make A Criminal Injury Compensation Claim

By Mumtaz Shah

A DIY route to a criminal injury claim can be costly. By seeking professional help eliminates the possibilities of error. So it's a wise choice to read.

If you have been a recent victim of a crime, then there is a very good chance that you'll be entitled to make a criminal injury compensation claim under the Criminal Injuries Compensation Scheme.

CICA - Criminal Injuries Compensation Authority

Great Britain has in place the oldest compensation scheme for people who suffer criminal injuries as victims of crimes, with the first version having been introduced in 1964. Based along the lines of personal injury compensation claims, the CICA compensates victims of violent crime who have suffered any:

- injury, whether that be physical or mental, as a result of being the victim of a violent crime
- possible loss of earnings that the victim may endure as a result of such criminal injury
- bereavement suffered as a result of a loved one having died as the victim of a violent crime.

Since 1996 the CICA has adopted a fixed tariff criminal injury compensation scheme as set out by parliament in the Criminal Injuries Compensation Act 1995 for those who are entitled to make a criminal injury claim.

Making A Compensation Claim

If you plan to make a claim to the CICA for criminal injury compensation, then you'll need to show that you have suffered either physical or mental harm as a result of having been the victim of the violent crime in question.

Note that you need to show that a crime took place, you do not need to show that a conviction resulted from the crime you are claiming took place.

If you have grounds to believe that you have a criminal injury claim, you can obtain a compensation form from a personal injury solicitor, which you then need to complete and return.

The CICA then acknowledges receipt of your form and should process the claim. Keep in mind that this can be a lengthy process and can take anywhere up to 18 months after you have submitted the criminal injury compensation claim.

Also, as the scheme is for victims of violent crimes, the minimum compensation payable under the scheme is £1,000 and the maximum amount of compensation is £250,000.

Moreover, keep in mind that if you have made a claim for compensation under the scheme and are not satisfied with the initial compensation awarded for the criminal injury you suffered, you are entitled to

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submit a request to have a review of your criminal injury claim within 90 days of your original award being made.

If you still don't like the award after this review process has been completed, then you can appeal your criminal injury compensation claim to the Panel of the CICA within 30 days of the outcome of the appeal process. If the Panel of the CICA award still does not satisfy you, you then have the right to appeal your claim to the High Court.

Are There Any Alternatives?

If you have been the unfortunate victim of a crime, you should speak to a criminal injury solicitor as soon as you can following the event. In part this is because the criminal injury compensation scheme is only for those who are the victims of a violent crime.

On the other part, you need to make sure you do this so that you can get the advice from your criminal injury solicitor as to any alternative compensation you may want to seek.

Any alternative compensation claim you do instigate will be based on a civil action for personal injury. As a personal injury claim can be expensive, if you believe you may have a case for personal injury compensation but do not have the funds to pay a costly solicitor, you should talk with a no win no fee solicitor to see if there is any chance they will represent you in your claim.

And Finally...

Finally, as well as being the oldest criminal injury compensation authority in the world, with over 80,000 cases a year paying £200 million in compensation, the CICA is also one of the highest rewarding criminal injury claim boards in the world.

It's easy to seek criminal injury compensation and gain maximum results without the hassle, costs and confusion. Discover the 12 revolutions of criminal injury claims at

<http://100percent-compensation.co.uk/articles/criminal-injury-compensation.html>



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