

Maryland Good Samaritan Act

Maryland Law 5-309; Courts and Judicial Proceedings § 5-309

- a. A person described in subsection "b" of this section is not civilly liable for any act or omission in giving any assistance or medical care, if:
 - a. The act or omission is not one of gross negligence;
 - b. The assistance or medical care is provided without fee or other compensation; and
 - c. The assistance or medical care is provided:
 - 1. At the scene of an emergency;
 - 2. In transit to a medical facility; or
 - 3. Through communications with personnel providing emergency assistance.
- b. Subsection "a" of this section applies to the following:
 - a. An individual who is licensed by this State to provide medical care;
 - b. A member of any State, county, municipal, or volunteer fire department, ambulance and rescue squad or law enforcement agency or of the National Ski Patrol System, or a corporate fire department responding to a call outside of its corporate premises, if the member:
 - 1. Has completed an American Red Cross course in advanced first aid and has a current card showing that status;
 - 2. Has completed an equivalent of an American Red Cross course in advanced first aid, as determined by the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene; or
 - 3. Is certified by this State as an emergency medical technician or cardiac rescue technician;
 - c. A volunteer fire department, ambulance and rescue squad whose members have immunity;
 - d. A corporation when its fire department personnel are immune under paragraph 2 of this subsection.
- c. An individual who is not covered otherwise by this section is not civilly liable for any act or omission in providing assistance or medical aid to a victim at the scene of an emergency, if:
 - 1. The assistance or aid is provided in a reasonably prudent manner;
 - 2. The assistance or aid is provided without fee or other compensation; and
 - 3. The individual relinquishes care of the victim when someone who is licensed or certified by this State to provide medical care or services becomes available to take responsibility.