IF YOU'RE INVOLVED IN A CRASH ACTION CHECKLIST

Print and laminate these instructions, and carry a copy in the glove box of work vehicles.

Immediate Response

☐ If safe, turn off your vehicle. Check yourself and your passengers for injuries.
☐ Call or have someone else call 911. Clearly communicate your situation.
☐ Check the area for hazards (downed power lines, traffic, glass, debris, fuel leaks, fire, etc.). Make a plan to avoid them before exiting the vehicle.
☐ Put on your high visibility vest.
☐ Secure the scene to ensure further harm does not occur: turn on emergency flashers, ask someone to control traffic, set up temporary protective barriers, etc.
☐ Check if others involved in the incident have sustained injuries, or other harm.
☐ Provide all reasonable assistance, including first aid.
☐ Cooperate with emergency responders and enforcement officials as they arrive.

Collect Information - once emergency measures are in place, begin collecting information.

☐ Record the date, time and location of incident.
☐ Take photos of the scene and surrounding area, esp. short-lived evidence, damage and injuries.
☐ Make sketches of the scene - show direction(s) of vehicle, travel, point of impact, vehicle resting location(s), eyewitness locations, etc.
☐ Describe what happened - use clear notes to state the order of events.
☐ Record Vehicle Identification Number (see insurance papers or on vehicle), license plate number, make, model, year and color of vehicle(s) involved.
☐ Gather full names, addresses and phone numbers of drivers, passengers, registered vehicle owner(s) and witnesses.
☐ Record contact information vehicle insurer(s), including policy number(s).
☐ Use notes or photos to record information about the weather (precipitation, temperature, lighting), road (surface type, obstructions, traction) and traffic conditions.
☐ Make notes about any indication of impairment (drugs, alcohol or fatigue), statements or behaviours of people involved, and other things that may have influenced the events.

Notification

☐ Notify your employer and/or supervisor
☐ Notify WorkSafeBC if injured and require medical treatment
☐ Notify insurance company (ICBC)
☐ Notify others (family, affected co-workers, clients awaiting your arrival)

Note: Notifications should occur as soon as reasonably possible after a crash. If you are injured or otherwise unable to do this, ask a co-worker or supervisor to help with initial notifications.