## Road Defects and Bicycle Accidents

Bicyclists face a unique set of dangers on the road given the relative lack of protection they have in case of an accident. This safety concern makes it important for municipal authorities to take necessary precautions to help cyclists avoid accidents, such as by maintaining roads and designing them appropriately for cyclist traffic. If government agencies do not take into account the needs of cyclists, they may endanger these riders, potentially causing them to suffer otherwise preventable accidents.

If you've been injured because of a municipality or construction crew's negligent disregard for bicyclist safety, we may be able to help you seek financial compensation from the party at fault. To learn more about how to prepare your case, contact the accident attorneys of Stepleton Dugan, LLC, today by calling 513-449-6041.

## Common Road Hazards for Bicyclists

Although road defects can endanger motorists, they typically present a much greater hazard to cyclists. Common road defects that can lead to bicycle accidents include:

- Damaged or protruding sewer grates, manhole covers, and storm drain grates
- Unmarked railroad tracks
- Construction tools or materials left on the road
- Uneven pavement or steep shoulder drop-offs
- Potholes

Bicyclists injured because of a municipality's or construction crew's lack of proper safety precautions may be entitled to pursue compensation for their injuries.

## Contact Us

If you or a loved one has been hurt in a cycling accident due to road defects or construction debris left on the road, you are not alone. For more information about your legal rights and options, contact the knowledgeable **personal injury lawyers** of Stepleton Dugan, LLC, at 513-321-7733 today.