

Electrocution is one of the most common risks in the workplace. While those who work in [industrial settings](#) or on [construction sites](#) may face the greatest risk of electrocution, these accidents can happen anywhere. If you have been injured as a result of being electrocuted at work, a North Carolina electrocution lawyer can help you get the compensation you need to cover your medical bills and your lost income.

Common Injuries Resulting from Electrocution Accidents

Getting electrocuted can result in a variety of serious injuries, including the following:

- Organ or tissue damage
- Electrical burns
- Central nervous system damage
- Nerve damage
- Respiratory arrest
- Cardiac arrest or arrhythmia
- Coma

The severity of the injuries caused will depend largely on the amount of voltage that the victim was exposed to and for how long. A very strong electrical current can cause electrocution that results in [death](#).

In addition to those injuries that are the direct result of the electrocution, there are additional injuries that workers may suffer. For example, many electrocution victims can fall, sometimes from considerable heights. This can result in injuries such as [broken bones](#), [concussions](#), and [spinal injuries](#).

If you have been electrocuted at work, you may be entitled to compensation. An experienced North Carolina electrocution lawyer can review your case and explain your options.

You May Be Entitled to Workers' Compensation Benefits

If you have been electrocuted while on the job, you are likely entitled to [workers' compensation](#) benefits. These benefits can cover both your [medical expenses](#) and up to two-thirds of your [average weekly income](#). You do not need to prove who is at fault in causing the accident, only that you were injured and that occurred while you were performing your duties. Contact a North Carolina electrocution lawyer for guidance if you are not sure whether you have a claim or do not know what to do next.

What to Do if You Have Been Electrocuted at Work

There are some steps that you need to take fairly quickly in order to protect your rights:

1. **Seek medical attention.** You should get a thorough medical exam even if you are unsure if you are injured. Follow your employer's instructions regarding where you should receive medical treatment and from whom.
2. **Notify your employer in writing.** Under North Carolina law, you must notify your employer in writing as soon as possible but no later than 30 days after the accident. You should take this step even if your employer is already aware of the accident and your injury.
3. **Submit your paperwork.** You must file a Form 18 with the North Carolina Industrial Commission in order to begin the workers' compensation claim process.

Contact a North Carolina Electrocution Lawyer Today

If you have been electrocuted at work, Martin & Jones can help you get the compensation you need to get your life back. Call us today at 800-662-1234 or [contact us online](#) to schedule a free consultation to discuss your rights and your options.