

Truck Accidents Cause Unforeseen Dangers

Dallas-Fort Worth is a major hub of commerce and transportation and, for that reason; there are truck accidents from time to time on the freeways. One accident this year ended up causing an unexpected hazard on the highway: cattle.

According to reports, the accident occurred on Interstate I35E, near the area where drivers start their commute into downtown Dallas. The driver of a truck towing a cattle car had to make an emergency maneuver to avoid striking another vehicle. At the time of the report, there is conflicting information as to whether or not the driver was actually licensed to drive the type of vehicle he was in.

After the accident, several cows were killed and many of them ended up wandering around the freeway confused. In total, there were approximately 70 cattle that were walking around on the highway.

Dangerous Cargo

The above incident may be somewhat comical, but not all incidents where a truck has an accident are quite so quirky. In some cases, these vehicles may be carrying hazardous chemicals, flammable chemicals or other substances that pose a very real risk to everybody on the highway. In such cases, specially trained crews usually have to be dispatched to handle the cleanup work associated with the rollover.

Whenever a commercial driver takes on any type of hazardous cargo, they're supposed to be properly licensed to carry that cargo. Aside from having a commercial driver's license, they have to be rated for many different aspects of the vehicle they drive, including whatever it is they haul. If you are involved in a truck crash that involves a trucker or a trucking company that was not seeing to it that their drivers were properly licensed, negligence may be an issue.

Likewise, the way the driver actually drives the vehicle can sometimes be construed as negligent. In this particular instance, the reporting implies that the driver actually tried to stop a worse situation from happening and ended up getting in a crash because of it. Some truck drivers, on the other hand, are not quite so possessed of forethought and may end up making a bad situation much worse by not reacting properly and as they can be reasonably expected to react.

If you are involved in such an accident, talk to a [Dallas truck accident attorney](#). They'll have experience filing lawsuits against trucking companies and they certainly won't be intimidated by their size or their budget.