## Injured at SpeedZone in Dallas?

While considered one of Dallas' top thrill motorsport attractions (and self-promoted as a place to "satisfy your need for speed") SpeedZone can provide lots of fun and family entertainment. If you become injured due to a product or property defect (or anything, really), you may find that their legal department is anything but fun.

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission revealed that more than 10,000 go-cart related injuries occur to children 15 years of age and younger each year. Studies show that injuries involving these vehicles require, on average, up to five days stay at a hospital, and range from serious conditions such as concussions, brain hemorrhages and crushing of body and/or limbs. In addition, half of children committed to a hospital required an operation, and a third required multiple operations.

A majority of the injuries result from collisions with stationary objects, losing control of the vehicle and rolling over, and falling out/being thrown out. With the exception of seatbelts, no other safety features installed in automobiles are built into go-karts. This should really be considered when deciding whether or not to let your child operate a go-kart.

Other hazards at go-kart facilities are: carbon monoxide poisoning, burns from exposure of heated gas tanks and exhaust piping, and clothing/hair getting caught in exposed engine chains and machinery, and more. Negligence is not the only common factor in go-kart accidents; incidents are also caused by operating errors and defective go-karts. Improper training of an employee is oftentimes a factor as well. This, combined with unsupervised and underage riders, presents a high risk of injury or <a href="wrongful death">wrongful death</a>.

Even with adult supervision and proper training of staff, accidents can still occur due to faulty go-kart design and machine operation. If an injury has occurred to you or someone you love, contact a qualified <u>Texas product liability attorney</u> or a <u>Texas personal injury attorney</u>.