

Medical Report

Prepared for the court by Dr Sample Expert

Date: 07/11/2017

MedCo ID: DME 1234

Section A – Claimant's Details

Claimant's full name

Mr Sample Test Report

Date of Birth

01/01/1970

Address

Unit 4
Link 665 Business Centre, Todd Hall Road
Rossendale, Lancashire BB4 5HU

Occupation

Accounts Officer

Accompanied by

None

1.1 Medical Records Review

No

If yes, which medical records were seen?

1.2 Has photo ID been confirmed?

No

If No, what other ID was provided

None

Claimant's Photo:



1.3 Date of accident?

01/01/2017

1.4 Age of the claimant at time of accident?

47 Year(s)

1.5 Date of examination

07/11/2017 (10:00 - 15 Minutes)

1.6 Place of examination

Consulting Room, L3 4AD

1.7 Date of report

07/11/2017

1.8 Name of instructing solicitors/agency

Instructor: Sample Solicitor
Agency : Sample Agency
Instructor Ref: 123456
Agency Ref: 654321

Summary : Section A

Accident

Road traffic accident

Symptoms

Symptom	Grazing - Right Forearm
Current Status(Claimant's Statement)	Resolved
Prognosis	Resolved - 4 weeks(from the date of accident)
Symptom	Pain - Lower Back
Current Status(Expert Opinion)	Moderate
Prognosis	Resolve - 13 months (from the date of accident)
Recommendations	Referral to a Physiotherapist
Symptom	Pain - Neck
Current Status(Expert Opinion)	Moderate
Prognosis	Resolve - 13 months (from the date of accident)
Recommendations	Referral to a Physiotherapist
Symptom	Pain - Right Shoulder
Current Status(Expert Opinion)	Moderate
Prognosis	Resolve - 13 months (from the date of accident)
Recommendations	Referral to a Physiotherapist
Symptom	Scars - Right Forearm
Current Status(Expert Opinion)	Moderate
Prognosis	Permanent Disfigurement
Recommendations	None
Longterm Disability	Yes
Symptom	Shock
Current Status(Claimant's Statement)	Resolved
Prognosis	Resolved - 1 day(from the date of accident)

Work

Accounts Officer

Time off

1 week

Restrictions

Home	Vacuum cleaning, house work, lifting, shopping, DIY
Sports	Gym, running

Section B

Statement of Instruction

This report is entirely independent and is prepared for the injuries sustained in the accident.

The instructing party has requested an examination to be conducted with a report to include the nature and extent of the claimant's injuries, treatment received, effects on lifestyle and whether any further treatment is appropriate.

The report is produced for Court purposes and prepared on the basis of the following information

1. Information provided by the Claimant.
2. My examination.
3. Written and special instructions from the instructing party.
4. My own professional medical opinion.

History

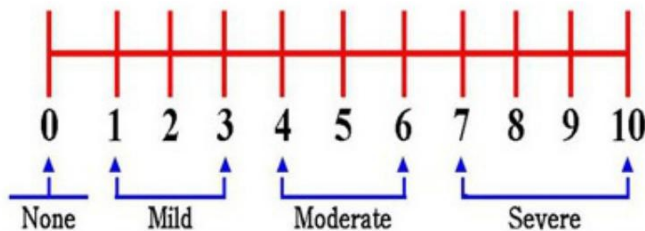
Accident details

Road traffic accident

- The accident occurred in the morning. The visibility was good. At the time of accident, he was a driver of a car. The car was moving on a main road and he was wearing a seatbelt. A head restraint was fitted in the vehicle. Airbags were fitted but they did not deploy. The claimant's car was struck by a police car. The impact was from the rear. The speed of the impact was approximately 70 mph. He was jolted backwards and forwards. Due to the accident the vehicle was damaged and rendered repairable.

Visual Analogue Pain Scale

The severity of the symptoms within this report has been done by reference to a visual analogue pain scale.



Symptoms

Grazing - Right Forearm

Current Status: resolved after 4 weeks (Stated by claimant)

Sustained grazing to the right forearm. He stated that it resolved after 4 weeks. It was due to a direct trauma.

Shock

Current Status: resolved after 1 day (Stated by claimant)

Developed shock after the accident. He stated that it resolved within 1 day.

Pain - Lower Back

Current Status: moderate (Stated by claimant)

Developed severe pain in lower back within 12 hours after the accident. It has improved and currently moderate.

Pain - Neck

Current Status: moderate (Stated by claimant)

Developed severe pain in neck within 12 hours after the accident. It has improved and currently moderate.

Pain - Right Shoulder

Current Status: moderate (Stated by claimant)

Developed severe pain in right shoulder within 12 hours after the accident. It has improved and currently moderate.

Scars - Right Forearm

Current Status: (Stated by claimant)

Developed scars in the right forearm. It is currently unresolved.

Immediate treatment

Immediate treatment - Yes

Assistance at the scene - Yes

Police and paramedics attended at the scene after the accident.

Initial treatment: Advice and spinal board immobilisation.

Following the accident, he was taken to casualty by an ambulance.

Later treatment

Casualty

Attended casualty after the accident.

Advice: Pain killers.

GP

Consulted GP after the accident.

Advice: Pain killers.

Prescriptions: Pain killers (Paracetamol and Co-Codamol).

Physiotherapy

No. of visits: 7 sessions

The treatment started after the accident and it has finished. He had 7 sessions.

Outcome: It has shown moderate improvement.

Present symptoms reported by the claimant

‡ Pain - Neck

‡ Pain - Right Shoulder

‡ Pain - Lower Back

‡ Scars - Right Forearm

Section C

Employment Position / Education

Accounts Officer

Time off: yes

He is currently employed as a Accounts Officer.
Had taken 1 week off because of the accident.

Restrictions

He has moderate postural difficulties due to this accident.

Consequential Effects

Home Circumstances

He lives with his wife.

Effect on Daily Life

Home Restrictions

DIY

He has been unable to do the DIY after the accident. It has been persistent and not improved.

Vacuum cleaning, shopping, lifting activities and house work

Current severity: moderate

Vacuum cleaning, shopping, lifting activities and house work was initially severely restricted. It has improved and currently moderate.

Sports restrictions

Gym activities

He has not returned to this activity.

Running

He has not returned to this activity.

Section D

Past Medical History

Road traffic accident Current status: recovered

Had a road traffic accident approximately 3 years before the index accident and sustained injuries. He had fully recovered before this accident.

On Examination

General Physical Appearance

General Health	Well	Dominant Hand	Right
General Movements	Stiff	Assistance	None
Depression	None	Anxiety	None
Limp	None Noted	Tearful	No

General Physical Examination

- Examination did not reveal cuts, marks, bruises, lumps and scars due to the index accident.

Scar



Musculoskeletal Examination

Back

- Rotation, left lateral flexion, right lateral flexion and back flexion movements were 60-70% of normal. They were painful.
- Para lumbar region was tender.

Neck

- Right lateral flexion, right rotation, extension and forward flexion movements were 70-80% of normal. It appeared to cause discomfort.
- Left rotation and left lateral flexion movements were full. They were painful.
- Para cervical region, right trapezius and left trapezius were tender.

Upper limb

- Left hand on head, right hand between shoulders and right shoulder movements were full. It appeared to cause discomfort.
- Right trapezius was tender.

Diagnosis Opinion and Prognosis

Opinion

I was able to obtain a good history.
His injuries were entirely consistent with the accident.
His treatments were appropriate.

The claimant's time off has been appropriate.

In my opinion, he is moderately restricted at work. His ability to work is likely to improve slowly.

His employment restrictions are entirely due to the accident.
His long term employment prospects are likely to be unaffected.

His home and sports restrictions are entirely due to the accident. He is moderately restricted.
It is likely to improve slowly.

Prognosis

Grazing - Right Forearm

Recommendation: None

Prognosis: Resolved - 4 weeks (from the date of accident)

Sustained grazing to the right forearm. He stated that it resolved after 4 weeks. It was due to a direct trauma.

Pain - Lower Back

Recommendation: Referral to a Physiotherapist

Prognosis: Resolve - 13 months (from the date of accident)

Pain - Lower Back is due to a musculo-ligamentous sprain causally related to the accident. It is currently causing moderate symptoms. Following today's examination, I would recommend referral to a Physiotherapist for further assessment and to determine the possible required number of treatment sessions. On the balance of probabilities, I would anticipate that these symptoms will improve and resolve 3 months from the date of the examination.

Long term complications: In my opinion, no long term complications are expected. If the symptoms does not recover in line with the stated prognosis then I would recommend further examination by an Orthopaedic specialist.

Pain - Neck

Recommendation: Referral to a Physiotherapist

Prognosis: Resolve - 13 months (from the date of accident)

Pain - Neck is due to a musculo-ligamentous sprain causally related to the accident. It is currently causing moderate symptoms. Following today's examination, I would recommend referral to a Physiotherapist for further assessment and to determine the possible required number of treatment sessions. On the balance of probabilities, I would anticipate that these symptoms will improve and resolve 3 months from the date of the examination.

Long term complications: In my opinion, no long term complications are expected. If the symptoms does not recover in line with the stated prognosis then I would recommend further examination by an Orthopaedic specialist.

Pain - Right Shoulder

Recommendation: Referral to a Physiotherapist

Prognosis: Resolve - 13 months (from the date of accident)

Pain - Right Shoulder is due to a musculo-ligamentous sprain causally related to the accident. It is currently causing moderate symptoms. Following today's examination, I would recommend referral to a Physiotherapist for further assessment and to determine the possible required number of treatment sessions. On the balance of probabilities, I would anticipate that these symptoms will improve and resolve 3 months from the date of the examination.

Long term complications: In my opinion, no long term complications are expected. If the symptoms does not recover in line with the stated prognosis then I would recommend further examination by an Orthopaedic specialist.

Scars - Right Forearm

Recommendation: None

Scars - Right Forearm is due to the direct trauma caused by the accident. It is currently causing moderate symptoms. I do not believe that further treatment will benefit the claimant. On the balance of probabilities, I would anticipate that despite treatment these ongoing symptoms will cause permanent disfigurement.

Shock

Recommendation: None

Prognosis: Resolved - 1 day(from the date of accident)

Developed shock after the accident. He stated that it resolved within 1 day.

Section E

Was the claimant wearing a seatbelt?

Yes

Does the claimant have an exemption from wearing a seatbelt?

If Yes, please state form of exemption

If No, state what extent would each of the claimant's injuries have been prevented all together; have been less severe; or have been unchanged by the claimant's failure to wear a seatbelt?

Section F

Future Treatment and Rehabilitation

Pain - Lower Back	Referral to a Physiotherapist
Pain - Right Shoulder	Referral to a Physiotherapist
Pain - Neck	Referral to a Physiotherapist

Section G

Declaration

I understand that my overriding duty is to the court, both in preparing reports and in giving oral evidence. I have complied and will continue to comply with that duty.

I am aware of the requirements of Part 35 and practice direction 35, the protocol for instructing experts to give evidence in civil claims and the practice direction on pre-action conduct.

I have set out in my report that I understand from those instructing me to be the questions in respect of which my opinions as an expert are required.

I have done my best, in preparing this report, to be accurate and complete. I have mentioned all matters, which I regard as relevant to the opinions I have expressed. All of the matters on which I have expressed an opinion lie within my field of expertise.

I have drawn to the attention of the court all matters, of which I am aware, which might adversely affect my opinion.

Wherever I have no personal knowledge, I have indicated the source of factual information.

I have not included anything in this report, which has been suggested to me by anyone, including the lawyers instructing me, without forming my own independent view of the matter.

Where, in my view, there is a range of reasonable opinion, I have indicated the extent of that range in the report.

At the time of signing the report I consider it to be complete and accurate. I will notify those instructing me if, for any reason, I subsequently consider that the report requires any correction or qualification.

I understand that this report will be evidence that I will give under oath, subject to any correction or qualification I may make before swearing to its veracity.

I have included in this report a summary of my instructions.

I have not entered into any agreement where the amount of payment of my fee is in any way dependant on the outcome of the case.

Statement of Truth

I confirm that I have made clear which facts and matters referred to in this report are within my own knowledge and which are not. Those that are within my own knowledge I confirm to be true. The opinions I have expressed represent my true and complete professional opinions on the matters to which they refer.

Signature

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GMC: 1234567

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Qualifications:

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GMC: 1234567

Special Interests:

GP / GP - First Report.

Medico - Legal Experience: