

Failure to stop at scene of accident

• **252. (1)** Every person commits an offence who has the care, charge or control of a vehicle, vessel or aircraft that is involved in an accident with

- (a) another person,
- (b) a vehicle, vessel or aircraft, or
- (c) in the case of a vehicle, cattle in the charge of another person,

and with intent to escape civil or criminal liability fails to stop the vehicle, vessel or, if possible, the aircraft, give his or her name and address and, where any person has been injured or appears to require assistance, offer assistance.

• **Marginal note:Punishment**

(1.1) Every person who commits an offence under subsection (1) in a case not referred to in subsection (1.2) or (1.3) is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding five years or is guilty of an offence punishable on summary conviction.

• **Marginal note:Offence involving bodily harm**

(1.2) Every person who commits an offence under subsection (1) knowing that bodily harm has been caused to another person involved in the accident is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding ten years.

• **Marginal note:Offence involving bodily harm or death**

(1.3) Every person who commits an offence under subsection (1) is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to imprisonment for life if

- (a) the person knows that another person involved in the accident is dead; or
- (b) the person knows that bodily harm has been caused to another person involved in the accident and is reckless as to whether the death of the other person results from that bodily harm, and the death of that other person so results.

• **Marginal note:Evidence**

(2) In proceedings under subsection (1), evidence that an accused failed to stop his vehicle, vessel or, where possible, his aircraft, as the case may be, offer assistance where any person has been injured or appears to require assistance and give his name and address is, in the absence of evidence to the contrary, proof of an intent to escape civil or criminal liability.

- R.S., 1985, c. C-46, s. 252;
- R.S., 1985, c. 27 (1st Supp.), s. 36;
- 1994, c. 44, s. 12;
- 1999, c. 32, s. 1(Preamble).

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1. Criminal Code - R.S.C., 1985, c. C-46 (Section 80)

Breach of duty

80 Every one who, being under a legal **duty** within the meaning of section 79, fails without lawful excuse to perform that **duty**, is guilty of an indictable offence ...

2. Criminal Code - R.S.C., 1985, c. C-46 (Section 122)

Breach of trust by public officer

122 Every official who, in connection with the **duties** of his office, commits fraud or a **breach** of trust is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding five years, whether or not the fraud or **breach** of trust would be an offence if it were committed in relation to a private person.