



### Uncontrolled Entry of Animals onto the Road

The sudden darting of animal herds onto the highway, either after breaking away from the herder's control or out of fear, forces moving vehicles into uncontrolled braking and abrupt lane changes. This situation triggers chain-reaction crashes that lead to vehicles rolling over, running off the road, or suffering fatal bodywork damage.



### Herd Protection Dogs Attacking Vehicles

Livestock guardian dogs aggressively attacking motorized or non-motorized vehicles, cyclists, and pedestrians out of an instinct to protect the herd create massive panic in traffic. These attacks cause two-wheeled riders to lose their balance, fall, and end up trapped under oncoming vehicles, while also forcing passenger vehicle drivers to swerve abruptly to avoid striking the dog, resulting in running off the road and crashing into fixed objects.

### Slippery Road Surfaces Due to Animal Waste

Droppings left on the asphalt by herds during road crossings create a film just like a layer of oil on the road surface in damp or lightly rainy weather conditions. This situation unexpectedly extends the braking distance of vehicles, leading to sudden skidding and loss of control on curves.



### Nighttime Camouflage Effect

On unlit rural roads, dark-colored cattle or earth-toned small livestock are extremely difficult to notice even under headlight illumination. At angles where the animals' eyes do not reflect light, visibility approaches zero, eliminating drivers' reaction time and leading to severe crashes resulting in direct collisions with the animals.

## WHAT DOES THE LAW SAY?

**Animal Protection Law No. 5199 (Article 21):** A driver who strikes an animal is obliged to take it to the nearest veterinarian or treatment facility, or to ensure that it is taken there.

**Traffic Insurance Coverage:** Compulsory Automobile Liability Insurance covers the treatment expenses that arise in the event of a collision with an animal.

