

2-VEHICLE MINOR ACCIDENT ALONG 54 MARINE TERRACE ON 17 JAN 2019

Name of Reporting Party: Rajesh R. Shah (H/p: 9387-1773)
Identity Card Number: S1650073I

Name of Driver: Jaeni Rajesh Shah (My Daughter)
Identity Card Number: S9602632C
Vehicle Number: SDN 973X (Vehicle A)
Vehicle Make/Model/Color: Nissan /Sylphy 1.6/ Galaxy Grey

Party Affected: Not Available
Identity Card Number: Not Available
Vehicle Number: SJU 4706S (Vehicle B)
Vehicle Make/Model/Color: Not Available / Not Available / White

Location of Accident: Along Marine Terrace in front of Block 54
Time of Accident: 1045 hours (approx)
Condition of Road: Dry
Weather: Sunny and Clear

Description of What Happened:

My daughter was heading out on driveway from Carpark 12A (but via 16A exit) intending to turn right onto Marine Terrace. She checked both directions and when all clear moved forward to make a right turn. She cleared the yellow junction box and was in her lane (on a 2-lane road).

She had noticed on her left a white car turning out of carpark exit between Block 54 & 55. Suddenly she felt a slight bump on the left front side. The driver of the white car (now we know as SJU 4706S) honked at her as if my daughter was at fault. He put on his hazard lights, stopped the car.

My daughter could see from the rearview mirror that the vehicle behind had stopped, and the driver had stepped out of his vehicle. But as there was a merging lane ahead and traffic behind, she moved ahead with the intention to make a U-turn at the end of the street at the roundabout. When she finally made the U-turn and returned to the supposed accident spot, the other vehicle had left already.

She pulled to the side of the road and inspected our vehicle. The damage to our car was very minor, just some scratches and scrapes. Assuming that it was not a major incident and that the other driver had left, my daughter continued on her way to her intended destination.

She called me immediately (I was overseas) and recalled the incident. Presuming that it was just a minor scrape, I told her I would check out the damage upon my return on 21 Jan 2019. And indeed there were only minor scrapes and scratches. As such we did not see the need to make a report. (Please refer to the attached pictures showing the minor extent to the damage to our car)

Judging from the above, it would seem that the driver of SJU 4706S was in the wrong as he had probably not kept in his lane. He was probably looking ahead at the merging lanes and moved to the right without noticing our car on the side. The blind spots probably did not help, as I believe both cars were literally side by side. (Refer to sketch attached).

Note that this is a Silver Zone and the lanes go from 1 to 2 to 1 every so often. Being longtime residents of the area, we are very familiar with the roads (esp. the internal ones). We drive slow and carefully.

Letter from LKK Auto Consultants dated 13 Feb 2019 (see attached):

Thus I was indeed very surprised to receive a letter from LKK Auto Consultants dated 13 Feb 2019, advising that the driver of SJU 4706S was making an insurance claim against us. For what damages I can only imagine.

As required in the letter, we are preparing this report and will be e-filing this with our Insurance Company. However, we are not claiming from them over this minor matter.

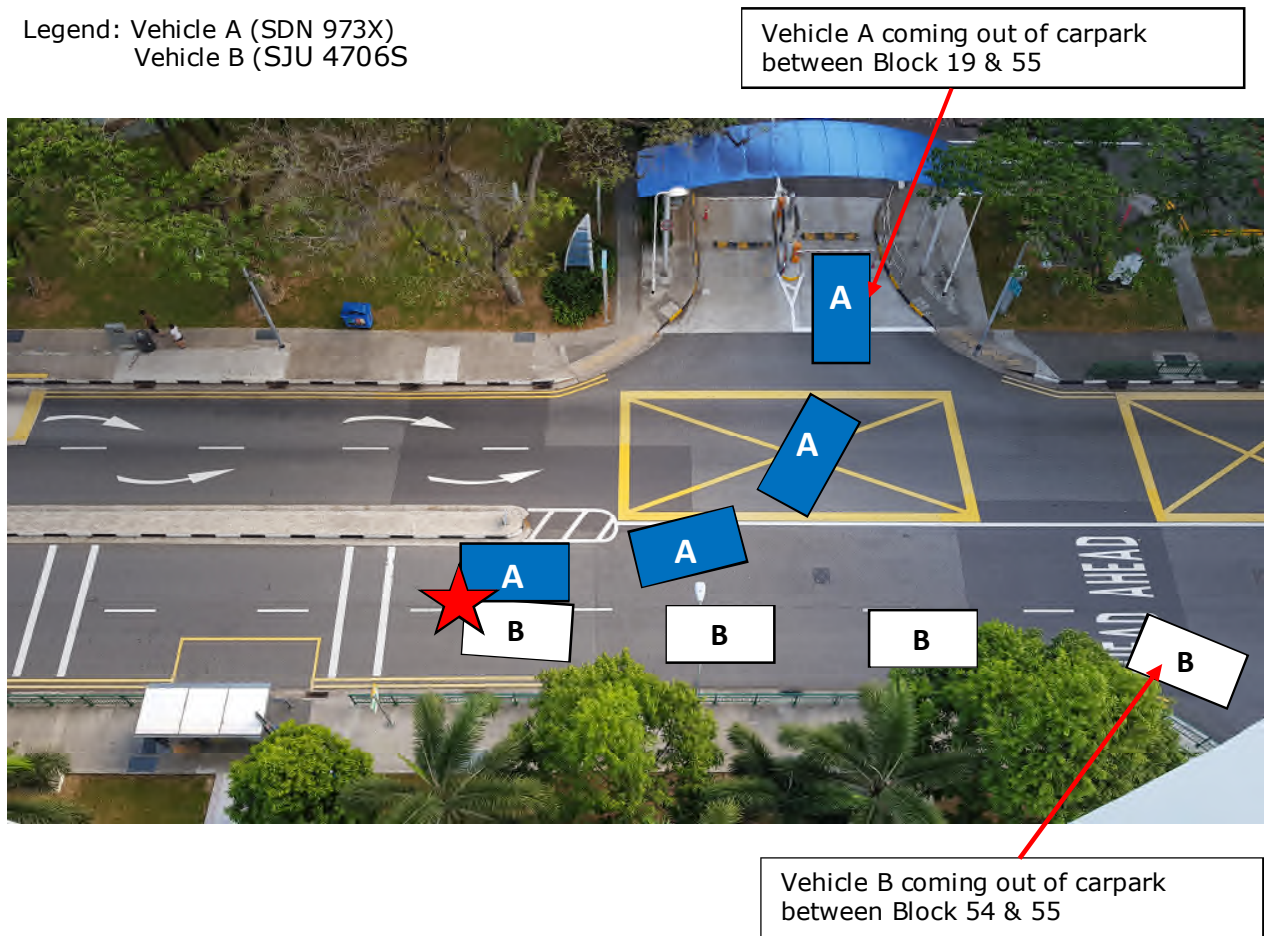
We strongly feel that AIG (our Insurance Company) should not be entertaining any claims in this instance. Such minor bumps and scrapes are part and parcel of driving in Singapore.

Photos of SDN 973X (on 17 Jan 2019)



Diagram (Not to Scale)

Legend: Vehicle A (SDN 973X)
Vehicle B (SJU 4706S)



Accident 17 Jan 2019 (SDN 973X)