

Introduction to the 2026 Edition

Michigan Torts has been renamed Michigan Personal Injury Torts in order to better reflect the current practice of personal injury tort law in Michigan. This text summarizes all the important aspects of Michigan tort law, citing the extensive body of statutes and cases.

Highlights:

- Expanded wrongful death beneficiaries to include domestic partners – § 1:16
- Updated discussion on PIP priority rules for motorcycle accidents involving multiple vehicles – § 2:1
- New practice note on premium trends following no-fault reforms – § 2:1
- Updated discussion on insurer burden of proof for MCL 500.3112 defense in provider PIP claims – § 2:4
- Updated discussion on medical provider fee schedules tied to Medicare rates – § 2:4
- Updated caps on noneconomic damages in medical malpractice cases for 2025 – § 7:1
- Updated discussion on res judicata and privity requirements in premises liability cases – § 8:2