**1280 SKIDDING**

Skidding of a motor vehicle may occur without fault of the driver and having begun, it may continue without fault for a considerable space and time. On the other hand, the skidding may have been precipitated by the negligence of the driver, or the driver may have controlled the vehicle negligently after the skid began.

You may consider the driver's knowledge of the road conditions; if the slippery condition appeared suddenly without warning, the driver would be excused from a charge of negligence. On the other hand, where the icy or slippery condition of a road increases the danger of travel, and the driver is, or ought to be, aware of the condition, then the driver is required to exercise a degree of care commensurate with the conditions.

You may consider the speed of the skidding vehicle prior to or at the time of skidding, or the manner in which (the driver) controlled the car prior to skidding, or after the skidding commenced, in determining whether (the driver) was negligent.