

Helpful Information to Understanding Legal Wrongdoings Constituting As Tortious Behaviour



Tort is a funny sounding word derived from the Latin word 'tortum' and is loosely meaning wrong or wrongful. In law, tort falls into the area of civil law other than [breach of contract](#) or breach of fiduciary duty, involving rights of action (the right to sue) for a remedy such as compensation for harm caused by the tort.

The first known use of the word tort within a legal proceeding was in 1597, when Galileo was still alive, as within the case of *Boulton v. Hardy*, (1597), 77 E.R. 216.

Within the area of tort law are common matters involving negligence such as failure to keep walkways safe which results in a 'slip and fall' incident. Other torts include intentionally or recklessly wrongful conduct such as deceit, conspiracy, interference in contractual relations or economic relations.

For more information about some of the more common torts, see below: