

3M Automotive Aftermarket Division Launches New Series of Commercial Truck Standard Operating Collision Repair Procedures

3M Provides Products and Guidelines for Proper Quality Repairs

ST. PAUL, Minn., (March 04, 2016) – 3M Automotive Aftermarket Division has introduced Commercial Truck Collision Repair Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs). Along with the 3M commitment to providing customers with the highest-performing and most-cost-effective products in the marketplace, these written procedures can help assist the commercial fleet collision shops in delivering consistency in the repair process.

“3M is extremely committed to helping fleet collision shops become more productive and profitable by providing outstanding business solution services combined with highly-efficient 3M products. From abrasives, power tools and truck-repair-specific adhesives, we have products and the processes designed to meet the shop’s and technician’s production demands,” said John Spoto, National Heavy Duty Truck/Commercial Fleet Manager for 3M Automotive Aftermarket Division. “The professional training 3M will provide can deliver a unique consultative approach to help maximize reparability.”



These new Standard Operating Procedures can be found in the “How To” section of www.3MCollision.com under <http://3MCollision.com/how-to/heavy-truck>.

3M SOPs help teach basic and advanced skills, demonstrate proper techniques and showcase innovative product solutions. The 3M Standard Operating Procedures provide step-by-step guidance through a range of projects to help ensure repairs are done professionally and efficiently.

Topics covered include:

- Aluminum Panel Removal
- Aluminum Panel Installation: Adhesive
- Aluminum Dent Repair
- Composite Panel Removal and Installation
- Back Side Reinforcement (SMC, FRP, Composites)
- Cosmetic Repair (SMC, FRP, Composites)
- Seam Sealer Removal
- Seam Sealer Installation: Over Primer and Direct to Metal
- Corrosion Protection (Cavity Wax/Rust Fighter-I)
- Prep New Parts
- Prime Part (Aluminum, SMC, FRP, Composite)
- Paint Finishing: Small and Large Areas
- Headlight Restoration
- Clean-up Process

Each SOP topic includes instructions with photographic examples, and a list of 3M product solutions used to properly complete a repair.

About 3M Automotive Aftermarket Division

3M automotive products keep the world on the move, with innovative solutions for building, repairing and maintaining vehicles. From the collision repair professional to the individual vehicle enthusiast,

people around the world trust 3M products to protect, repair and keep their vehicles looking showroom new. And our commitment to this industry extends beyond product performance to a careful stewardship of the world's resources and environment. Serving the needs of our customers has made 3M a trusted leader in vehicle care and repair, and we are dedicated to earning that trust each and every day.

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