



Choice Collision Center Highlights Glass Replacement Process

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Choice Collision Center is publishing an August consumer reference explaining how vehicle technology, installation specifications, and manufacturer calibration requirements can affect automotive glass replacement following a collision.

The new reference brings these considerations together in a concise format for vehicle owners who may be unfamiliar with the relationship between modern windshields and other vehicle systems. It addresses windshield-mounted technology, bonded-glass installation, and the circumstances in which manufacturer information may specify additional procedures after glass replacement.

Choice Collision Center's Fall River facility provides automotive glass replacement as part of applicable collision repairs. The company is publishing the resource to provide consumers with context about why replacing a windshield on a newer vehicle can involve procedures beyond removing damaged glass and installing a replacement.

One consideration is technology associated with the windshield. Depending on the vehicle, cameras, sensors, head-up display components, or other equipment may be incorporated into or positioned near the glass.

I-CAR addresses this subject in its technical article "Calibration After Windshield Replacement." The resource explains how its OEM Calibration Requirements Search can be used to identify camera and sensor locations and vehicle-maker requirements associated with windshield removal and replacement on applicable vehicles.

The I-CAR technical guidance is available through Calibration After Windshield Replacement.

The I-CAR guidance also illustrates an important distinction for consumers: windshield replacement does not create an identical calibration requirement across all vehicles. The applicable procedure is determined from the vehicle, installed system, work performed, and manufacturer information.

Glass selection and installation represent another part of the process.

Ford Motor Company's Glass Replacement Position Statement provides a manufacturer-specific example. The published document discusses bonded windshield glass in relation to vehicle structure and addresses replacement considerations involving camera brackets, head-up display applications, adhesives, and other windshield characteristics on applicable Ford and Lincoln vehicles.

The Ford position statement is cited as an example of manufacturer-specific technical information rather than a procedure that applies to all makes and models.

Bonded-glass installation can also involve product-specific preparation, application, and curing instructions for the adhesive system being used. When glass damage results from a collision, the windshield opening and adjacent components may also be evaluated before replacement if those areas were involved in the impact.

For vehicles with windshield-associated driver-assistance equipment, applicable manufacturer information is reviewed to determine whether calibration, initialization, scanning, or another related procedure is specified as part of the repair.

Choice Collision Center's August reference consolidates these topics around three practical considerations for consumers: the technology associated with the windshield, the glass and installation requirements for the vehicle, and any additional procedures identified by the manufacturer.

The resource is intended to explain the factors involved in contemporary windshield replacement rather than suggest that every glass repair requires the same procedures. The actual repair process depends on the individual vehicle and conditions identified during the repair.

Additional information about automotive glass replacement is available through Choice Collision Center.

About Choice Collision Center

Choice Collision Center operates collision repair facilities in Rhode Island and Massachusetts, including a location in Fall River. The company provides collision repair, auto body repair, glass replacement, vehicle scanning and calibration, paint refinishing, and related vehicle restoration services.

Information about the Fall River facility is available through Choice Collision Center.

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