



Agreement with ATA/MMDA/MPI

We are pleased to announce that Manitoba Public Insurance, The Automotive Trades Association, and the Manitoba Motor Dealers Association have agreed to extend the term of the contract for one year and amend the current Labour Rate Agreement to accredited and non-accredited motor vehicle body shops in Manitoba. And, to help attract and retain a skilled collision repair workforce in Manitoba, the successful Tool Allowance and Apprenticeship Grant program will be extended.

The four year 2010 Agreement was based on, and addressed many of the issues identified in the Manitoba Collision Repair Industry Study (MCRIS). The study and Agreement was an important step in the development of a stronger working relationship between the trade and Manitoba Public Insurance. The recently completed update to the MCRIS concluded the labour rate increases and incentives under the 2010 Agreement achieved the intended objectives.

The 2010 Agreement is being extended for a one-year term with the details noted below. During this period, Manitoba Public Insurance will continue its Physical Damage Reengineering Program and a cooperative, collaborative approach will allow us to develop solutions to common issues. The Program's overall objectives are to improve the customer service experience for physical damage claims processing and maintain or reduce costs, while at the same time, strengthen the overall collision repair industry.

Key Highlights of the amended Agreement are as follows:

Term:

- The amended Agreement is effective August 1, 2013 and expires December 31, 2014.

Administration Fee:

- A \$15 administration fee will be paid on completed claims - where the vehicle is returned to the customer, with body, frame and/or mechanical labour.
- The administration fee will not be applied to glass-only claims.

Rates:

- Effective August 1, 2013, the Body Technician Labour rate will increase 2.2%.
- Effective January 1, 2014, the Glass Labour rate will increase 2.0%.
- Frame and Mechanical Labour rates stay in effect until a new agreement is confirmed for 2015 and beyond.
- The rates for shop materials, paint materials and tempered shop materials stay in effect until a new agreement is confirmed for 2015 and beyond.

Tool Allowance and Apprenticeship Grant Program:

- The Tool Allowance and Apprenticeship Grant Program will be extended to December 31, 2014.
- Manitoba Public Insurance will continue to provide the following financial assistance to Manitoba apprentices in the Motor Vehicle Body Repairer Program or the Motor Vehicle Body Painter Program:
 - A \$5,000 (maximum) Tool Allowance
 - A \$2,000 Apprenticeship Grant after successful completion of each level of the program (up to \$8,000 for apprentices in the four-level Motor Vehicle Body Repairer Program and up to \$4,000 for apprentices in the two-level Motor Vehicle Body Painter Program).

We look forward to continuing an era of cooperation and partnership that will herald a strong and vibrant collision repair industry in Manitoba now, and into the future.

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