



# USE OF SALVAGE/RECYCLED PARTS POSITION STATEMENT

## FCA US LLC POSITION

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Many factors can influence the integrity and quality of salvage parts including but not limited to weather, previous damage, improper removal and transfer of parts. Because of this, FCA US LLC does **NOT** approve of the use of salvage or recycled parts in the event that collision repairs are necessary.

FCA US LLC air bag and restraint systems are carefully designed and engineered to protect the safety of all passengers. Using salvage restraint systems could affect the timing and performance of these safety systems. FCA US LLC only approves the use of new airbag systems and components installed using original FCA repair procedures.

### **Using salvage parts can lead to the following events:**

- ▶ Compromised crush zones caused by previous repairs.
- ▶ Additional installation time due to variations in fit and finish.
- ▶ Exposure to adverse elements and conditions that have not been considered by FCA US LLC.
- ▶ Require additional repair time based on variations in storage and delivery practices.

## **SALVAGED AIR BAGS OR OTHER SALVAGED RESTRAINT SYSTEM COMPONENT USAGE**

FCA US LLC does not support the use of any supplemental restraint system (SRS) component, seatbelt component or any other occupant protection component that has been removed from a vehicle previously damaged, flooded, burned, scrapped or removed from use for any other reason – commonly referred to as “salvage parts.”

Restraint system components are engineered, tested and manufactured to protect vehicle occupants based on both government mandated and internal corporate requirements relative to vehicle safety and occupant protection. New Mopar replacement parts are required to be equivalent to the originally installed parts and are tested to ensure these requirements are met. While some salvage parts may visually appear equivalent, there can be dramatic differences in the design and functional characteristics which could have a negative effect on the vehicle occupants in a future collision event. These specific design and functional characteristics can only be determined through destructive testing.

### **Salvage components may have been affected by:**

- ▶ Any change to the seat back cover such as material, thread, stitch design and alterations or misplacement of the features that guide the deploying air bag into position.
- ▶ Crash impact loads
- ▶ Incorrect, improper or inadequate disassembly and removal procedures
- ▶ Weathering or environmental exposure outside of that expected during normal use
- ▶ Flooding
- ▶ Smoke or heat damage
- ▶ Abuse

Additionally, salvage components are not traceable should a component recall be required in the future.

It is in the best interest of the current or future vehicle owner and/or occupants that repairs to the SRS, seatbelt and occupant protection system are made using new original equipment parts. Anything less than this may expose operators and occupants to unnecessary risk.

## GENUINE MOPAR PARTS

FCA US LLC vehicles and authentic Mopar Parts are designed and manufactured to meet production engineered specifications, while maximizing the safety of all occupants in a collision. If a collision repair is necessary, all repairs should be performed by a certified trained technician and follow vehicle-specific repair procedures available at [TechAuthority.com](https://www.techauthority.com) using only genuine Mopar parts. Failure to follow proper procedures or deviation from Original Equipment parts could result in compromising performance of impact safety systems. Only authentic Mopar Parts are designed and built to provide optimum fit, function, safety and structural integrity as well as being engineered, manufactured and tested to the FCA US LLC internal and government-mandated standards and are the only parts equivalent to the originally installed parts. These parts are carefully designed to act as a safety system and are rigorously impact tested to ensure optimal performance.

## USE OF AFTERMARKET PARTS

FCA US LLC does not approve of the use of aftermarket, third-party replacement parts, recycled, salvaged, aftermarket or reconditioned parts. Aftermarket parts are not subject to the same requirements of entire vehicle operation or function and may not be manufactured to the same standards or design. This could compromise the overall safety of the vehicle should a future collision occur. Aftermarket parts may not be built to FCA US LLC's exact design and can therefore affect the performance of important structural and safety features of the vehicle.

**FCA US LLC vehicle lease agreements specify that ONLY genuine Mopar replacement parts be utilized for collision repairs to the vehicle.**

## SUPPORT

- ▶ FCA Dealers: [Service Library](#)
- ▶ Independent Collision Repairers: [Stellantis Independent Operator Portal](#)
- ▶ Complete Mopar Parts & Accessories Limited Warranty Statement: [Complete Mopar Warranty Statement](#)

For more information, log on to: [www.MoparRepairConnection.com](http://www.MoparRepairConnection.com)

