

Have you heard the news?

The DEG has now helped collision repair professionals around the country successfully process more than 1,500 database related inquiries!



What if someone told you there was a FREE service, founded by the AASP, ASA, and SCRS that could help you improve the efficiency and profitability of your business; would you use it?

Have you ever been writing a collision repair estimate and found a part shown in the illustration but there was no part price or labor allowance?

How about a labor operation that based on your experience and visual inspection of the repair just doesn't seem correct?

If you answered "YES" to any of these questions you need to [check out the DEG](#).

The DEG is an absolutely free service for collision repair estimating system users focused on improving the accuracy of collision data.

User Comments

Hi Bud,

This is great news and thank you for your diligent follow-up on this request!

Thank you to the DEG for this outstanding platform ... so often our voice is not heard in this industry and the DEG has provided an outlet that not only helps our individual shop but the entire industry. It also empowers shop owners to stop complaining and take action to better our industry.

Best wishes,
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Recently Resolved DEG Inquiries

Example #1

Issue Summary (Frame Rail Ext) —The current database allows 0.5 labor each (total 1.0) to replace both parts after overlap deductions for removal of the front bumper cover and front bumper reinforcement. This is not sufficient time to replace these plates due to the number of spot welds as required for this procedure.

Resolution

The PLATE,SIDE MEMBER EXTN labor time has changed from 2.1 hours to 2.6 hours.

The EXTENSION,SIDE MEMBER labor time has changed from 2.6 hours to 5.1 hours.

All times are before option conditioning or overlap considerations.

The changes will appear on the August 2009 release.

Example #2

Missing Part

Spare Tire and Jack Carrier Brkts - When selecting the rear floor pan for R&R the current database shows the tire and jack carrier brkts as included operations.

Resolution

'After review, we have determined that the Spare Bracket and Jack Carrier are present in current chapter data. For clarification the following changes have been made:

1. An estimated work time of 0.3 hours has been applied to the Spare Bracket.
2. An estimated work time of 0.4 hours has been applied to the Jack Carrier.

Sponsoring the DEG

The DEG offers its services to all segments of the collision industry at no cost. We are able to do this based on the funding received from the three major collision repair trade associations, AASP, ASA, and SCRS. In addition, the DEG relies on sponsorship and donations from individuals, groups, corporations and others.

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