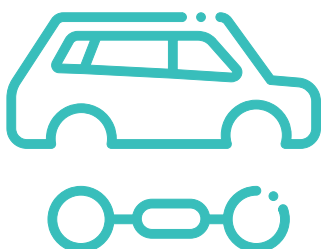




AUTOMOBILE DAMAGE APPRAISAL

Checklist



High-strength steel parts

THINGS TO REMEMBER

- **IDENTIFY** the composition of the part using your appraisal software or the manufacturer's standards information website. The part can be made of mild-, high-strength or ultra-high-strength steel (HSS and UHSS).
- **IDENTIFY** the part function: it can be part of the car's body or structure, which affects its repairability.
- **ASSESS** whether the high-strength steel part can be ***straightened*** or needs to be ***replaced*** based on the manufacturer's recommendations.
- ***Straighten a high-strength steel part:***
 - ▶ **CONFIRM** the straightening limits authorized by the manufacturer, as the part must exclusively be straightened cold or using controlled heat.
- ***Replace a high-strength steel part:***
 - ▶ **KNOW** the manufacturer's recommended assembly method to maintain the car's structural integrity.

Evaluate these elements since it's key to staying within the vehicle's shock absorption capacity and keeping passengers safe.



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