



**April 17, 2026**

**Dear Collision Repair Program Participants,**

I'm writing to share updates to paint and body material and Alternative Transportation Service (ATS) rates. These changes are effective April 27, 2026.

### **Paint and body material and ATS rates**

As previously communicated, in 2022 we committed to reviewing paint and body material cost allowances on an annual basis. We later established a separate commitment to review ATS rates annually. As a result of this year's material cost review, we will be implementing increases to both paint and body material allowances along with the scheduled ATS rate increase for Collision Repair Program Participants ("Participants").

The updated rates are outlined below:

<b>Item</b>	<b>Current rate</b>	<b>New rate (as of April 27)</b>
Paint material	\$60.11	\$62.01
Body material	\$7.05	\$7.13
ATS	\$11.05/hour	\$11.15/hour

The labour rate for the Feather, Prime and Block operation will also be adjusted to reflect the updated material allowance.

- **New combined rate: \$105.33**  
(\$98.20 Feather, Prime and Block labour rate + \$7.13 materials allowance)



This modified labour rate only applies to the Feather, Prime and Block allowance.

The new rates for Participants will apply to:

- vehicle repairs in progress with a car-in date of January 27, 2026, or after. Repair facilities will need to re-apply the estimate profile to receive the new rates for vehicle repairs in progress.
- new estimates written April 27, 2026, or after. For estimates written April 27, 2026, or after, selecting the applicable estimate profile will apply the new rates to the estimate.

In determining the new rates, we collected market paint and material costs and calculated year over year cost changes to inform this year's adjustment.

### **New billable items coming later this spring**

We're also pleased to share that we are implementing two new billable items, including:

- a **destructive weld test policy**, and
- a **classic and vintage vehicle labor rate**

We're currently preparing new rate profiles and template lines in Mitchell Cloud Estimating. These new billable items will take effect **later this spring**, with additional details to be shared closer to launch.

If you have any questions, we're here to help. Please contact your Account Services representative for assistance.

Sincerely,

**Troy Campbell,**  
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