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Volvo Car U.S. LLC: Statement on Full Vehicle Body Sectioning (Clipping)

Volvo Cars U.S. does NOT approve the repairing of vehicles by means of "clipping".

The term "clipping" refers to cutting and joining two damaged vehicles. Vehicles are typically cut through across the floor pan, windshield pillars, and the rocker panels. After cuts on both vehicles are performed, an attempt is made on joining both undamaged portions of two vehicles together to make a repair.

As each "clip" repair is unique and cannot be verified as a proper repair, full body sectioning is not acceptable on any Volvo vehicle. Volvo Cars U.S. stands firmly with this position based on the following information:

These repairs could present issues with the vehicle structure causing:

- Decreased structural integrity
- Corrosion
- Part fitment
- Vehicle functionality
- Vehicle performance
- Vehicle alignment
- Vehicle reliability
- Acceptable to water leaks
- Noise
- Vibration
- SRS/Electrical System malfunctions

Using only genuine Volvo parts will help ensure vehicle safety, performance, and residual value.

Volvo genuine parts are designed and manufactured to exacting specifications to help maximize safety, performance and reliability.

All Volvo exterior paneling, glass, unibody components, drivetrain, electronics, suspension SRS and steering components are essential to safe control of the vehicle. These parts are designed to work with other vehicle components to help keep occupants safe in an accident.

In the event of a collision, Volvo Car USA recommends that all repairs be performed by a Volvo Certified Technician through a Volvo Certified Collision Center using only genuine Volvo parts.

Always refer to Volvo Information and Diagnostics for Aftersales (VIDA) for the latest technical guidelines.