



Collision Position Statement

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REMANUFACTURING OR REFINISHING STEEL & ALUMINUM WHEELS

Lincoln original equipment wheels are engineered and tested by Lincoln for strict impact, fatigue and durability standards. Any structural repair to a wheel or non-Lincoln original equipment replacement wheel may introduce unintended defects and may alter load capacity and compromise handling, braking and overall safety. Lincoln original equipment wheels are recommended to provide the design integrity, material properties and performance Lincoln specifies and approves for Lincoln vehicles.

Lincoln's Position

- Lincoln recommends replacing any steel or aluminum wheel with an approved new Lincoln original equipment wheel, if its structure has been altered or compromised.
- Lincoln has not validated or endorsed repairs that involve machining, welding, bending, straightening, re-plating or adding material beyond cosmetic coatings, as these may compromise the wheel's structural integrity and safety.

Lincoln Limited Refinishing

Approved only when purely cosmetic—sanding or polishing that removes no metal. Any wheel exhibiting the following should be discarded:

- Visible or micro-cracks (not visible to the naked eye)
- Corrosion, gouges, dents beyond cosmetic repair
- Altered shape, contours or design lines
- Modified flanges, bolt seats, pilot holes or mounting surfaces
- Paint/coatings on functional surfaces
- High-temperature cures (>350 °F) or chrome plating
- Out-of-round or bent rims

Lincoln Warranty & Safety

Lincoln has tested its original equipment wheels to meet safety and performance standards. Remanufactured or refinished wheels have not been tested or validated by Lincoln to meet the specifications of Lincoln's original equipment parts and may pose a risk of unsafe vehicle operation or performance. Non-Lincoln original equipment wheels or unauthorized repairs are not covered or warranted by Lincoln under the Lincoln warranty or extended service plan. Further, any vehicle damage or failure directly caused by the use of non-Lincoln original equipment wheels or unauthorized repairs will not be covered under the manufacturer's original warranty.



Lincoln Red Carpet Lease Agreement

Under every Lincoln Red Carpet Lease Agreement, lessees must restore all collision-damaged parts exclusively with Genuine Lincoln Original Equipment Parts. Any substitution with salvaged, aftermarket or reconditioned components may constitute a breach of lease terms.

Lincoln original equipment parts are conceived, engineered and rigorously tested by Lincoln as fundamental elements of your vehicle's safety and performance architecture and are designed to provide optimal crashworthiness performance, advanced driver assistance system (ADAS) functionality and structural integrity. Lincoln original equipment parts are developed in lockstep with the vehicle itself. Utilizing any wheel not approved by Lincoln may cause unsafe vehicle operation and performance, including loss of control which may result in injuries to the vehicle occupants or other drivers.

Support

Lincoln Dealers: <http://www.fordtechservice.dealerconnection.com>

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