



Automotive Repair Data Sharing Commitment

This commitment was created with one group of people in mind: vehicle owners. It recognizes and reaffirms the belief that consumers should have access to safe and proper repairs throughout a vehicle's lifecycle.

The parties commit to ensure consumer choice in vehicle repair decisions and support the independent repair community as provided below and as outlined in the existing 2014 Memorandum of Understanding:

Access to diagnostic and repair information – There shall be available for purchase by owners of motor vehicles and by independent repair facilities on fair and reasonable terms the same diagnostic and repair information, including service manuals and technical repair updates, that a manufacturer makes available to its authorized dealers through the manufacturer's internet-based diagnostic and repair information system or other electronically accessible repair information system.

Access to vehicle systems – There shall be available access to vehicle diagnostic systems through (i) a non-proprietary vehicle interface device that complies with the Society of Automotive Engineers standard J2534, commonly referred to as SAE J2534, the International Organization for Standardization standard 22900, commonly referred to as ISO 22900 or any successor to SAE J2534 or ISO 22900 as may be accepted or published by the Society of Automotive Engineers or the International Organization for Standardization; (ii) an onboard diagnostic and repair data system integrated and entirely self-contained within the vehicle, including, but not limited to, diagnostic or service information systems integrated into an onboard display; or (iii) a system that provides direct access to onboard diagnostic and repair data through a non-proprietary vehicle interface, such as ethernet, universal serial bus or digital versatile disc; provided that each manufacturer provides access to the same onboard diagnostic and repair data and functions available to their dealers, including technical updates to such onboard systems, through such non-proprietary interfaces as referenced in this paragraph.

Alternate Fueled Vehicles – Just as is the case for traditional internal combustion vehicles, access to vehicle diagnostic data and to vehicle systems for diagnostic and repair purposes shall be available for purchase by vehicle owners and by independent repair facilities on fair and reasonable terms for alternately fueled vehicles. This commitment applies to all vehicle technologies regardless of powertrain, including gasoline, diesel, fuel cell, electric battery, hybrid, and plug-in hybrid electric powertrains.

Telematics – Telematics systems shall not be used to circumvent the commitments made in this commitment to provide independent repair facilities with access to vehicle diagnostic data. To the extent that specific telematic diagnostic and repair data is needed to complete a repair, and also provided to an automaker’s authorized dealers, the automaker shall make such information available to vehicle owners and independent repair facilities, if it is not otherwise available through a tool or third-party service information provider. This does not apply to any telematics data beyond what is necessary to diagnose and repair a vehicle.

Access to tools – There shall be made available for purchase by owners of motor vehicles and by independent repair facilities diagnostic repair tools incorporating the same functional capabilities that a manufacturer makes available to its authorized dealers.

Fair and Reasonable Terms – There shall be access to diagnostic and repair information and tools on fair and reasonable terms, consistent with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, California Air Resources Board, and Massachusetts statutory requirements.

Support of Third-Party Tool Manufacturers – Diagnostic and repair information shall be made available to each third-party tool manufacturer and each third-party service information provider with whom a manufacturer has appropriate licensing, contractual, or confidentiality commitment for the sole purpose of building diagnostic tools and third-party service information publications and systems.

Trade secret protections – Nothing in this commitment shall be construed to require a manufacturer to divulge a trade secret.

Education – The parties shall develop a plan to educate both mechanical and collision repair facilities on the avenues by which they can access repair information, including directly through manufacturer repair websites, on www.oem1stop.com, or by accessing third-party tool and data service providers, among others.

Training – The parties shall review existing training options for both mechanical and collision repair facilities and work to ensure repairers have access to the latest training opportunities.

Working Together to Address Any Identified Gaps

As a complement to the existing process for resolving disputes involving the availability of diagnostic and repair information from specific manufacturers established in the 2014 MOU, the parties commit to establish a Vehicle Data Access Panel (VDAP) to identify issues a party may have with respect to the availability of diagnostic data and repair information as pledged in this commitment and collaborate on potential solutions where feasible. The VDAP shall be comprised of representatives from Automotive Service Association, Society of Collision Repair Specialists and Alliance for Automotive Innovation, and shall meet, at a minimum, biannually.

Periodic Review to Ensure Continued Relevancy

In recognition of this industry's dynamic marketplace, the parties commit to review this commitment annually and update, if appropriate. To that end, the parties shall establish a Data Access Working Group to consider any technological advancements that may alter the vehicle repair marketplace. The size and membership of this Working Group shall be established by the parties and can be altered at any time with the commitment of the signing parties.

Cooperation and Advocacy

Federal legislation – The parties commit to working together in support of federal legislation to codify the various provisions of this commitment, ensuring consumer choice in vehicle repair across the country. The parties also commit to working together against any legislation that is in direct conflict with the tenets of this document.

Federal regulations – The parties commit to working together in support of a petition to the Environmental Protection Agency to ensure reparability of electric vehicles by requiring standardized data communication protocols from OBDII-type connectors on all battery electric, plug-in hybrid, hybrid, and fuel cell vehicles model year 2026 and beyond in alignment with California's Advanced Clean Cars II regulation.

State legislation – The parties commit to working together against any legislation that is in conflict with the tenets of this commitment. Engagement on state legislation not in conflict with the tenets of this commitment shall be evaluated on its merits and subject to the commitment of the parties.

Signing Parties

Automotive Service Association (ASA)

ASA is the largest and oldest national organization committed to protecting the automotive repair industry with ONE VOICE. Our members own and operate automotive mechanical and collision repair facilities responsible for the majority of all, post warranty, repair services in the United States. ASA advocates for the interests of its members and their customers in Washington, D.C. The education, resources, and services ASA provides empowers its members in all 50 states to remain trusted stewards of mobility in their communities. www.ASAShop.org

Society of Collision Repair Specialists (SCRS)

Through our direct members and affiliate associations, SCRS proudly represents over 6,000 collision repair businesses and 58,500 specialized professionals who work to repair collision-damaged vehicles. Since 1982, SCRS has served as the largest national trade association solely dedicated to the hardworking collision repair facilities across North America. Since its formation, SCRS has provided repairers with an audible voice, and an extensive grassroots network of industry professionals who strive to better our trade. Additional information about SCRS including other news releases is available at the SCRS website. www.scrs.com

Alliance for Automotive Innovation

From the manufacturers producing most vehicles sold in the U.S. to autonomous vehicle innovators to equipment suppliers, battery producers and semiconductor makers – Alliance for Automotive Innovation represents the full auto industry, a sector supporting 10 million American jobs and five percent of the economy. Active in Washington, D.C. and all 50 states, the association is committed to a cleaner, safer and smarter personal transportation future.

www.autosinnovate.org

Effective Date

This Commitment is effective immediately upon signed letter transmittal to Chairwoman Cantwell, Ranking Member Cruz, Chairwoman McMorris Rodgers, Ranking Member Pallone, Chairman Jordan, Ranking Member Nadler, Chairman Durbin, and Ranking Member Graham.