

DEFINITION

This is journeyman level work in the trade of automotive body repair.

Work of this class involves the performance of a wide variety of skilled bench and shop work in the repair of damaged motor vehicles. Autobody mechanics are required to straighten bent frames using frame machines; remove badly damaged sections of body components; weld in new sections; work out body dents; fill depressions with solder or plastic filler; and sand the vehicle before applying primer and paint.

Employees repair or replace interior components, prepare surfaces for painting, and apply primers and paints to vehicles. Employees may work under direct supervision where work is reviewed in progress or upon completion or may work independently with work subject to review upon completion.

Autobody mechanics may specialize in frame straightening, sheet metal work or painting.

TYPICAL DUTIES*

Straightening bent frames using frame machines.

Removing and replacing badly damaged components such as bumpers, windshields, hoods, fenders, trunk lids, and roof and body panels.

Welding in replacement sections.

Test driving vehicles to ensure proper handling.

Preparing repair estimates.

Repairing or replacing interior components including instrument panels, seat frame assemblies, carpets, and floor board insulation.

Working out body dents and filling depressions.

Preparing surfaces for painting by cleaning, sanding, sand blasting and masking.

Applying primers and paints.

Cleaning up work area and equipment.

Performing related duties.



KNOWLEDGE, ABILITIES AND SKILLS

Considerable knowledge of the standard methods, materials, tools, and equipment of the autobody mechanic trade.

Knowledge of the occupational hazards and safety precautions of the trade.

Ability to understand and execute oral instructions.

Skill in the use and care of the tools, equipment, and materials of the trade.

TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS

Job Level

Certified Alberta Journeyman in the trade of Autobody Mechanic and possession of a valid Alberta Class 5 Motor Vehicle Operator's License.

* This is a class specification and not an individualized job description. A class specification represents and defines the general character, scope of duties and responsibilities of all positions within a specific job classification. It is not intended to describe nor does it necessarily list the essential job functions for a specific position in a classification. Positions may perform some of the duties listed above but this does not necessarily qualify for placement into this classification.

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