



SALVAGED AIR BAGS OR OTHER SALVAGED RESTRAINT SYSTEM COMPONENT USAGE

FCA US LLC POSITION

FCA US LLC does not support the use of any supplemental restraint system (SRS) component, seatbelt component or any other occupant protection component that has been removed from a vehicle previously damaged, flooded, burned, scrapped or removed from use for any other reason – commonly referred to as “salvage parts.”

Restraint system components are engineered, tested and manufactured to protect vehicle occupants based on both government mandated and internal corporate requirements relative to vehicle safety and occupant protection. New Mopar® replacement parts are required to be equivalent to the originally installed parts and are tested to ensure these requirements are met. While some salvage parts may visually appear equivalent, there can be dramatic differences in the design and functional characteristics which could have a negative effect on the vehicle occupants in a future collision event. These specific design and functional characteristics can only be determined through destructive testing.

Salvage components may have been affected by:

- Crash impact loads
- Incorrect, improper or inadequate disassembly and removal procedures
- Weathering or environmental exposure outside of that expected during normal use
- Flooding
- Smoke or heat damage
- Abuse

Additionally, salvage components are not traceable should a component recall be required in the future.

It is in the best interest of the current or future vehicle owner and/or occupants that repairs to the SRS, seatbelt and occupant protection system are made using new original equipment parts. Anything less than this may expose operators and occupants to unnecessary risk.

This statement supersedes any previously released information by FCA US LLC.

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