



## Career Opportunities: Auto Body

### **AUTO BODY COLLISION DAMAGE REPAIR: (NOC CODE 7322)**

Thousands of motor vehicles are damaged in traffic accidents every day. Others are damaged by rust, misuse, and other causes. An auto body repairer's job is to fix the damage by straightening bent frames, removing dents, and replacing crumpled parts. Most repairers work with cars and small trucks, although some work on other vehicles, such as buses and tractor-trailers.

To mend small holes and depressions, the repairer fills them with plastic filler and sands them down to a smooth finish. Finally, damaged window glass and interior components (such as instrument panels, mouldings, and carpets) are removed and replaced.

In large shops, auto body repairers may specialize in one type of repair, such as frame straightening, refinishing, painting, or door and fender repairing.

### **AUTOMOTIVE PAINTERS: (NOC CODE 7322)**

They prepare body surfaces on motor vehicles, and apply paint and other coatings. They are employed by automobile dealerships, automobile body repair shops and automobile appraisal centres.

The most important Essential Skills for this occupation are: Decision Making, Document Use, Job Task Planning and Organizing\*\*

*\*\* Info from the Ontario Skills Passport*

**Other Related Career Pathways:** Technical High School Teacher, Automotive Estimator/Appraiser, Insurance Appraiser, Automotive Detailer, Body & Restoration Technician, Auto Body Shop Manager/Owner, Technical Representative