



# RECONDITIONED WHEEL USAGE

## FCA US LLC POSITION

FCA US LLC does not recommend that customers use “reconditioned” wheels (wheels that have been damaged and repaired) because they can result in a sudden catastrophic wheel failure that could cause loss of control and result in injury or death.

### **For clarification:**

- Cosmetic refinishing for the purpose of repairing a superficial flaw is an acceptable procedure providing it is limited to paint or clear coat only, the wheel is not modified in any way and there is no exposure to paint curing heat over 200 degrees Fahrenheit.
- “Damaged” wheels have been bent, broken, cracked or sustained some other physical damage that may have compromised the wheel structure.
- “Repaired” indicates that the wheel has been modified through bending, welding, heating, straightening or material removal to rectify damage.
- Replating of chrome-plated wheels, or chrome plating of original equipment painted or polished wheels is not an acceptable procedure as this may alter mechanical properties and affect fatigue life. Additionally, the FCA US LLC Global Warranty Administration does not allow refinishing of wheels under warranty.

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

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For more information, log on to: [www.MoparRepairConnect.ca](http://www.MoparRepairConnect.ca).

