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# EXPERIENCE

## THE DELTA DIFFERENCE

Thank you for your interest in Delta Kits professional windshield repair and headlight restoration products. Delta Kits has many satisfied customers around the world, and we appreciate the opportunity to show you why. Delta Kits is, and always has been, at the forefront of the market since the company's inception in 1984. We do this by selling only the highest quality products in the industry, and backing that up with exceptional service and support.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brent Jones".

# QUALITY PRODUCTS

Our industry leading tools, resins, and equipment are preferred by professional windshield repair and headlight restoration technicians worldwide and are respected for quality, durability, and ease of use.



# PROVEN RESULTS

Our windshield repair and headlight restoration products are used by over 10,000 customers in over 75 countries. Let us also grow your revenue and profit. We also provide a 30 day money back guarantee.

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# CERTIFIED TRAINING



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# WINDSHIELD REPAIR MARKET POTENTIAL

## **POTENTIAL MARKET:**

There are over 248 million vehicles on the road today which puts the estimated number of vehicles with repairable windshield damage between 24 and 30 million. With an average price per windshield repair of \$55, the total annual market for windshield repair is between \$1.3 and \$1.6 billion.

## **PROFIT:**

Windshield repair is a highly profitable service with low up front and marginal costs. The cost per windshield repair is \$0.97.

## **SIMPLICITY:**

For such a valuable service, windshield repair is easy to learn and easy to deliver with online video training or hands on training and free technical support from Delta Kits.

## **WINDSHIELD REPAIR PROVIDES VALUE & CUSTOMER CONVENIENCE**

A repair takes minutes and costs less than a replacement.

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**RESTORES** THE STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY OF THE WINDSHIELD

**RETAINS** THE ORIGINAL FACTORY SEAL WHICH AVOIDS LEAKS

**ENHANCES** THE COSMETIC APPEARANCE OF THE WINDSHIELD

**PROTECTS** THE ENVIRONMENT BY KEEPING LAMINATED GLASS OUT OF LANDFILLS

## **PROMOTIONAL & CUSTOMER RETENTION VALUE:**

Because of the low marginal cost of windshield repair, some businesses offer it as a courtesy service to their best customers or in promotional campaigns to attract new customers. However, if you choose to implement windshield repair into your business, it will increase your bottom line and add to the value you can provide customers.

## WINDSHIELD REPAIR SYSTEM **PROFIT SHEET**

If you repair just one windshield per day, five days per week, you will generate **\$14,300** in annual income. Repair ten windshields per day and you'll generate **\$143,000** in annual income!

Generate \$10,000 in revenue by investing in a \$1,275 system before having to re-supply!



Average repairs with included resin (2 oz. initial supply 36021)*	200
National average revenue per repair	x \$55
Gross Income	<u>\$11,000</u>

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Retail price of 36021 Windshield Repair System(12/13)	<u>- \$1585</u>
Gross Profit (before restocking)	<u>\$9415</u>

Cost of resupply order for minimum 200 repairs*	\$245
Average number of repairs from resupply order	<u>÷ 252</u>
Average cost per repair (*actual average cost is .97)	<u>\$1.00*</u>

National average revenue per repair	\$55
Average supply cost per repair	<u>-\$1.00</u>
Profit x 4 Repairs/HR = \$216 per hour	<u>\$54.00</u>

\*Based on 7 drops per repair (MagniBond) and 1 drop per repair (Pit Resin).  
Approximately 1500 drops per ounce (MagniBond) and 245 drops per bottle (Pit Resin).

\*\*Calculations do not include labor cost and are intended for illustration only.

Results vary by user depending on sales & marketing efforts of each individual, as well as the level of skill developed.



## WHAT IS WINDSHIELD REPAIR?

WINDSHIELD REPAIR IS A PERMANENT PROCESS THAT

Windshield repair is a permanent process that removes air from the break and fills it with a curable, optically matched resin.

Windshield repair resin is an organic (carbon-based) material that seals the break when it is cured.

## BENEFITS OF WINDSHIELD REPAIR

**99% of repairs are successful**

**Environmentally friendly**

**Restores structural integrity of the glass**

**Enhances the cosmetic appearance**

**Cost Effective**

**Typically insurance companies waive comprehensive deductibles**

**Fast! In most cases a windshield can be repaired in 15 minutes or less but replacing a windshield can take several hours.**

# AUTOMOTIVE GLASS TYPES



**LAMINATED GLASS**



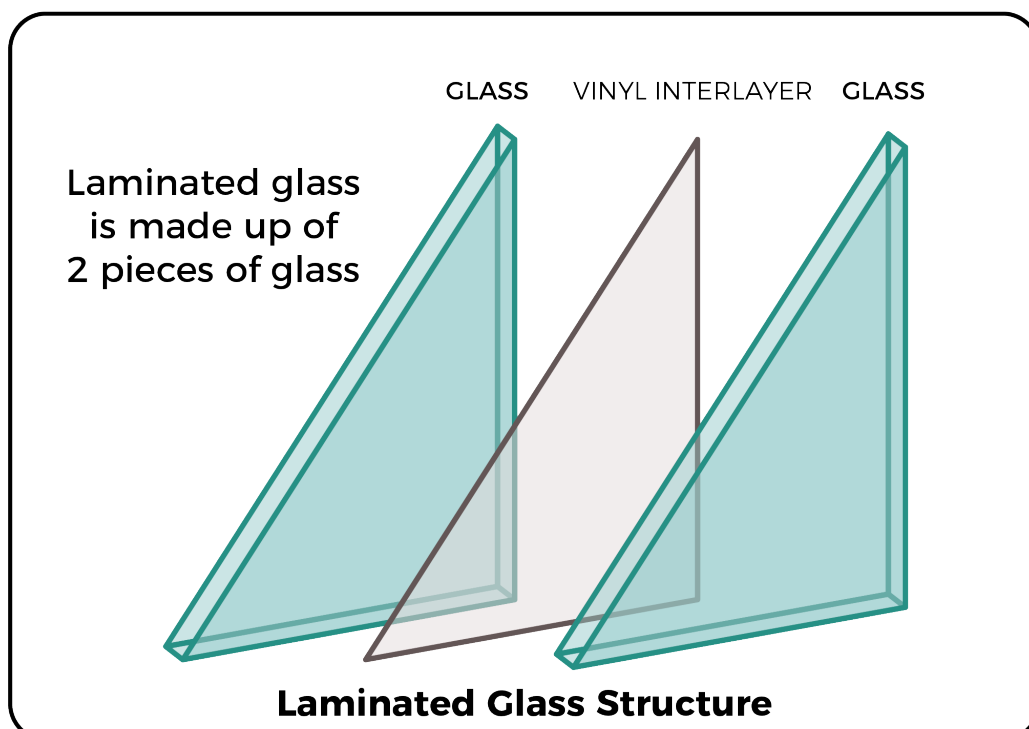
**TEMPERED GLASS**

## **LAMINATED GLASS:**

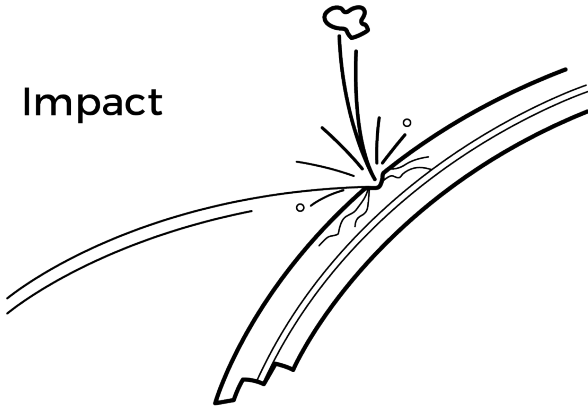
Laminated glass is a type of safety glass that holds together when shattered. In the event of breaking, it is held in place by an interlayer, typically of polyvinyl butyral (PVB) between its two or more layers of glass.

## **TEMPERED GLASS:**

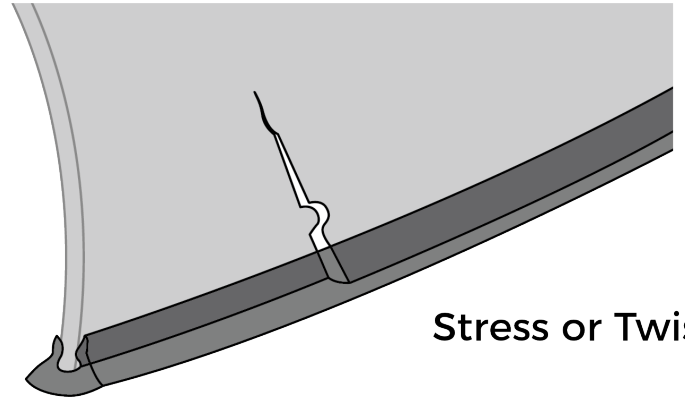
Tempered glass is meant to shatter into jagged shards when broken, tempered glass fractures into small, relatively harmless pieces.



Impact

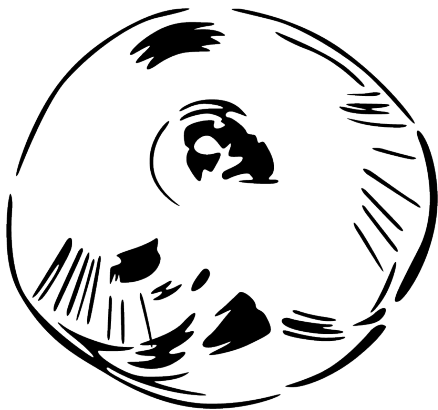


Stress or Twist



WINDSHIELD REPAIR DAMAGE OCCURS BY IMPACT AND STRESS

## TYPES OF WINDSHIELD REPAIR DAMAGE



### BULLS EYE

Damage that is marked by a separated cone in the outer layer of glass that results in a dark circle with an impact point. Can be repaired if diameter is no larger than one inch (25mm).

### STAR BREAK

Damage that exhibits a series of short cracks or legs that emanate from the impact point. Having damage no larger than 3 inches (75 mm).

### COMBINATION BREAK

Damage with multiple characteristics, i.e. star within a bulls eye. Providing neither break having a measurement greater than 3 inches (75 mm).



# UNDERSTANDING

# ROLAGS™

Repair of Laminated Automotive Glass Standard

The Repair of Laminated Automotive Glass Standard (ROLAGS™) represents the windshield repair industry's statement of best practices as compiled under ANSI guidelines by a "balanced" committee of windshield repair system manufacturers, glass manufacturers, windshield repair and replacement retail practitioners, trade associations and other "interested parties".

ROLAGS contains an industry consensus of recommended terminology, definitions, process and procedures. These recommendations reflect the expertise of a Standards Development Committee (SDC) with combined experience of several hundred years and many thousands of practical windshield repairs among its members.

## **THE ROLAGS STANDARD HAS 11 SECTIONS AND IS 9 PAGES LONG:**

1. Introduction
2. Purpose
3. Scope
4. Glossary of Repair Terminology
5. Other Related Terminology
6. Damage Types and Repairable Terminology
7. Repair Limitations
8. Process to Be Followed by the Repair Technician
9. Inspection of the Repair's Quality by the Technician
10. Training of the Repair Technician
11. Performance Requirements for the Repair of Laminated Auto Glass

# WINDSHIELD REPAIR PREPARATION

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## **INSPECTING THE DAMAGE**

Before starting any repair it is important to assess the damage so that you know what you're dealing with before you begin. If the damage is repairable, be sure to explain to your customer that there is a risk of the damage spreading during the repair process due to the fact that broken glass is inherently unstable. It is also important for your customer to understand that a completed repair will not make the damage disappear and that a scar will always be visible. Remember that the number one goal of windshield repair is to restore the structural integrity of the glass, not make the damage completely vanish.

## **CHECKING FOR HYDROPHOBIC COATINGS**

Check for hydrophobic coatings that repel water as these coatings will prevent the pit resin from adhering. To check for these coatings, spray a small amount of water on an area of the windshield away from the damage and see if it beads up. If it does, there is a coating on the glass.

There are two ways to effectively remove these coatings. First, scrub the area of the repair with 0000 steel wool until you see the coating ball up. Secondly, if your system included a moisture evaporator, use it to apply heat to the damaged area for 15 seconds to burn the coating off.

## **CHECK FOR MOISTURE IN THE BREAK**

Moisture in a break appears as a grey shadow that can be manipulated by applying pressure with your probe. If moisture is present, apply heat with moisture evaporator for 15 seconds. You should see the water boil and evaporate through the impact point.

## **CHECK THE TEMPERATURE OF THE GLASS**

Ideally the glass temperature should be between 70 and 100 degrees Fahrenheit (21 to 38 degrees Celcius) before repairing.

If the glass is too hot, it can be cooled by opening the cabin windows, turning cool air on through the defrost vents, or moving the vehicle into the shade. You can also use the heat exchanger to spot cool a small area of the glass.

If the glass is too cold, it can be warmed by turning warm air on through the defrost vents, bringing it indoors, or using a hair dryer.

Use an infrared thermometer to gauge the temperature of the glass both before and during the repair process.

# COMPLETING A REPAIR

With the inspection and preparation completed it's now time to begin the actual repair. We'll go through the process step by step for a standard repair and show each step in detail.

## CLEAN PIT USING SCRIBE AND BRUSH/BLOWER

Begin by taking your scribe or spring hammer and gently clean the pit of loose glass and use the brush or blower to remove any debris that remains.

## MOUNT BRIDGE WITH VACUUM CUP ABOVE DAMAGE

Retract the adjusting screw and injector cylinder so they do not contact the glass as the bridge assembly vacuum cup is mounted to the glass and remove the injector plunger.

Loosen the center adjustment knob and center the vacuum cup on the bridge base to provide maximum adjustment range once the bridge has been attached to the windshield.

Orient the bridge so that the vacuum cup is above or to the side of the damage to prevent resin from coming into contact and damaging the rubber vacuum cup pad. If possible, position the injector so it is as close to you as possible for easy access.

Attach the B150 and B250 Bridge by flipping the locking lever to the horizontal position. The B300 will be attached by activating the pump. Center the injector end seal hole directly over the pit when placing the bridge on the glass. You can check the injector's orientation by looking down the barrel or by using a centering tool, and making small adjustments by using the adjustment knob under the locking lever until the injector is correctly positioned over the impact point.

## PROPER LEVELING OF THE BRIDGE AND TIGHTENING OF THE INJECTOR

When the bridge is properly positioned, screw the injector cylinder down until the white end seal just touches the glass. If using the B150 Bridge, then advance it an additional quarter (1/4) of a turn. For the B250 and the B300 Bridge, advance it one half turn more.

Turn the leveling screw, located on the back of the bridge, down until the black rubber shoe just touches the glass. Then for the B150 Bridge, advance it an additional quarter (1/4) of a turn. For the B250 and the B300 Bridge, advance the leveling screws an additional two turns.

The goal is to uniformly compress the white end seal against the glass. The amount of the end seal visible between the glass and injector barrel should be equal on all sides.

Another way to check the compression of the end seal is to measure the distance between the glass and the bridge base with a ruler. The distance between the glass and the base should not vary more than 1/8" or 3mm from front to back. Remember, this is a general guideline and may vary depending on the curvature of the glass.

## **LOAD THE INJECTOR WITH INJECTION RESIN**

Be sure to get .2 ml of resin to the bottom of the injector so it fills the end seal.

## **PRESSURE CYCLE**

To initiate the pressure cycle, screw the plunger into the cylinder. As the tip of the plunger enters the end seal you will notice increased resistance. Continue screwing the plunger into the cylinder until you begin to see resin flowing into the break and there is a slight outward expansion of the outer perimeter of the end seal.

Leave it in the pressure cycle for approximately five minutes.

## **VACUUM CYCLE**

To initiate the vacuum cycle, slowly unscrew the plunger until you see bubbles rising up through the resin and into the injector. Allow 30 seconds, or until you can no longer see air movement in the damage. Continue unscrewing the injector until you feel significantly less resistance, indicating that the tip of the plunger has cleared the top of the end seal, allowing trapped air to escape. At this stage, the distance between the two knobs will be approximately 1/4" or 6mm.

If after the first pressure and vacuum cycles have been completed there is no visible change in the appearance of the repair, call Delta Kits for assistance. Possible remedies include, increasing plunger pressure, reducing cylinder pressure, adding resin, flexing the damage, adjusting the temperature of the glass, re-positioning the bridge, removing the bridge, and starting over.

Repeat pressure and vacuum cycles until air is removed and replaced with resin.

## **INSPECT THE BREAK FROM MULTIPLE DIRECTIONS**

Before removing the bridge assembly from the glass, inspect the break from multiple directions to insure all the air has been removed. Air may not be visible from certain angles so this step is crucial.

## **APPLICATION OF PIT RESIN & CURING TAB**

Remove the bridge and cover the injector to protect it from ambient UV light. Place one drop of pit resin just below the pit making sure there are no air bubbles present. If you see air bubbles use a straight pin to pop them. Use the curing tab to push the pit resin into the pit and lay it flat. DO NOT push on the curing tab as this will force the pit resin you just applied out of the pit.

## **CURE THE REPAIR**

Using your curing lamp, expose the finished repair to UV light for a period of 5 minutes.

## **SCRAPING REPAIR FLUSH**

Remove the curing tab and, with a new razor blade held at a 90 degree angle to the glass, use firm and quick strokes to scrape the resin flush with the surface of the glass. This will prevent the resin from interfering with the wipers.

## **POLISH THE PIT**

Finally, apply a drop of pit polish to the finished repair and rub vigorously until the pit shines. This will improve the cosmetic appearance of the repair.

# CLEANING YOUR EQUIPMENT

## **INJECTOR ASSEMBLY**

Do not turn the injector upside down during the removal or cleaning process

Use denatured alcohol to clean the injector assembly between uses to prevent resin from curing in the equipment.

## **CHANGE END SEALS APPROXIMATELY EVERY TEN REPAIRS**

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Change end seals approximately every ten repairs.

## **CARE OF BRIDGE VACUUM CUP**

A dirty or damaged vacuum cup will interfere with the bridge staying on the glass. Do not allow resin to contact the vacuum cup and wash it periodically with warm water or denatured alcohol.

# TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE

1. At what angle should you hold the razor blade to scrape after the resin has been cured?
2. How long do you cure the resin before scraping?
3. What is recommended to cure the resin?
4. What type of automotive glass is repairable?
5. How often should you replace the end seal?
6. What is the preferred working glass temperature range?
7. What do you use to clean your equipment after the repair?
8. What personal protective equipment should be used while performing a windshield repairs?
9. How do you check for moisture within the repair site?
10. When moisture is present how do you remove it?
11. Ideally where should the vehicle be located when doing a repair?
12. How do you remove Rain-X?
13. Why use a new razor blade for every repair?
14. Why is Pit Polish used?
15. Once a windshield has been repaired, it has been restored to pre-damage condition?

# ANSWERS

1. **90 Degree Angle**
2. **5 minutes**
3. **Pit Resin**
4. **Laminated Glass**
5. **Every 10 repairs**
6. **70 to 100 degrees**
7. **Denatured alcohol**
8. **Safety glasses, nitrile gloves or a barrier cream**
9. **Probe the damage**
10. **Moisture evaporator**
11. **Indoors**
12. **Moisture evaporator or (0000) steel wool**
13. **To avoid scratching the glass and to get a smooth surface**
14. **To polish out the white blemish**
15. **False**