

Original Equipment Manufactured Parts

If my car is brand new, do I have to buy this coverage to get OEM parts?

• **No,** A new auto with no or low mileage is entitled to new parts. Most companies will after the first year source OEM high quality used parts or new aftermarket parts.

Why should I buy or add OEM parts coverage to my policy?

- Your repaired auto value may be higher. If you trade your auto with lower mileage and not more than five or six model years old, a repaired auto with OEM parts and good documentation as well as confirmation that the work was done at an excellent repair shop then your trade in value may be higher. The fact that your car was in an accident is used against you at time of trade or sale, even though the vehicle was repaired back to the same or similar condition as it was prior to the accident. If you plan on driving the vehicle until most of its life is gone, then OEM parts for you may not be important.
- Some want their car back as close to new as possible. New parts are as close to new as you can get.

Is OEM parts coverage more important on some vehicles than others?

• YES, add if you have a luxury, limited production, or expensive auto. This might include a BMW, Mercedes, Lincoln, Cadillac, Lexus, Tesla, Corvette, and others. The best repair possible may be needed to maintain your vehicles value which is always a benefit at trade or sale. If you plan to drive it till it has very little value then maybe you should not buy this coverage.

What if the new parts production run has stopped?

Extra new parts are often warehoused and they are expensive. If they really are not
available then the best condition used parts or new aftermarket parts will be used. If your
auto would have a difference, "diminished", value after repairs because new parts were
not available then determine the difference in value and ask for the difference in cash after
the repair.