

COLLISION REPAIR INFORMATION

FOR THE TOYOTA DEALER

TITLE: BODY SECTIONING

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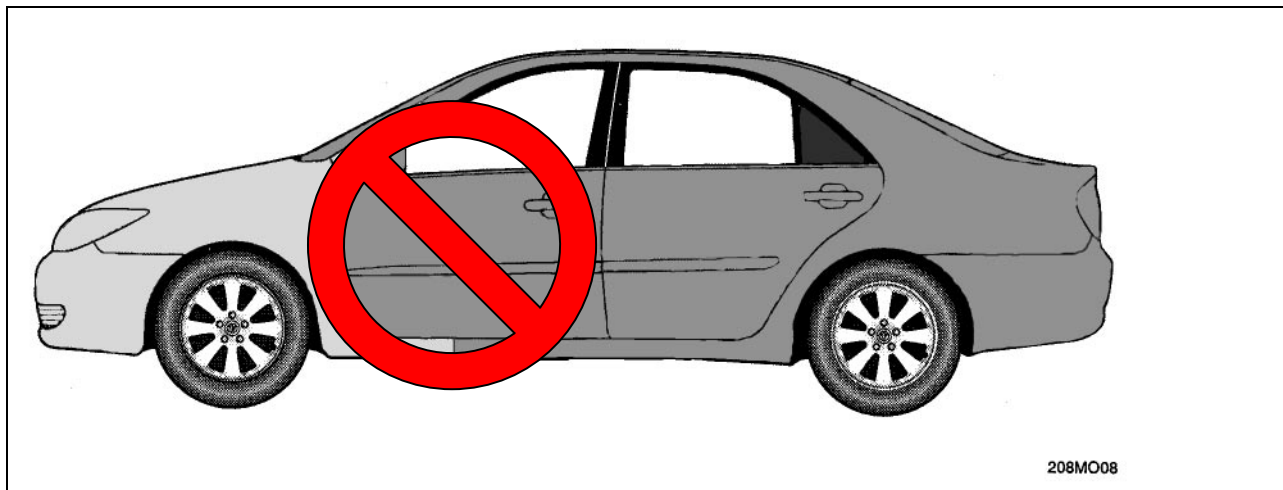
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MODELS: ALL TOYOTA/LEXUS

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Toyota actively promotes quality repairs by providing Collision Repair Centers with updates and changes in collision repair procedures, standards and technology.

Full body sectioning, also known as “clipping” is **NOT** an approved repair procedure on any Toyota or Lexus vehicle.



Full body sectioning is generally done on a vehicle that has sustained severe rear end damage, where the front portion of one vehicle is joined to the rear portion of another vehicle.

Full body sectioning is **not approved** for the following reasons:

- Decrease in strength and safety from the original Toyota/Lexus design
- Poor fit and alignment of the body
- NVH (squeaks, rattles, etc.)
- Wind noises and water leaks
- Diminished protection from rust/corrosion

Always refer to the Toyota/Lexus model-specific repair manual for approved cut/join locations, measurements, welding requirements, and other important information.

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