Damage Disputes Workflow Guide



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After accessing TRS and pulling a case to hear, proceed through all required **workflow steps** until you reach the Recovering Party's damages.

## WORKFLOW STEPS



From this step, Damages Disputes will be indicated by a red box with the word "Disputed" displayed inside.

WORKFLOW STEPS	ALPHA INSURANCE OF FLORID	A Recovery (YOGI BEAR) - Damages Dec	cision 🛛	
Neutrality Statement	Collision, 2019 FORD F150			
liability	Driver: YOGI BEAR			
ALPHA INSURANCE OF FLORIDA (YO	GI BEAR) Sought: \$3,500.00			
BETA INSURANCE OF COLORADO (JE WHITE)	SSICA Proven: \$0.00			
Liability Decision	Damages	Sought	Proven	Show Detail
ALPHA INSURANCE OF FLORIDA (YOGI BEAR) Da Recovery	mage Auto Damage	\$3,500.00 Depated		Review
2019 FORD	Evidence			

Select Review to read the arguments and evidence presented by the Responding Party.

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Sought	1	Proven	Show Deta
\$3,500.00 Disput	red	_	Review

From the Review tab, review the Responding Party's new proposed amount along with their justification.

Damage Decision - Auto Damage
ALPHA INSURANCE OF FLORIDA (YOGI BEAR) is seeking to recover \$3,500.00.
Disputes
BETA INSURANCE OF COLORADO (JESSICA WHITE) Proposed Amount: \$3,000.00 Dispute Types: Parts Justification:
Alpha wrote estimate using all OEM parts, however, LKQ parts were found and available at time of the repair. AD1

In this example, you can see the filing party's original damage amount was \$3,500. The proposed amount being requested by the Responding Party is \$3,000, and their justification is that LKQ parts were available but not used.

Next, review the evidence and evaluate whether it supports the arguments made. Evidence can be viewed by either clicking the PDF icon or by selecting **View All Evidence**.

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Reminder: A green box requires the arbitrator to make a comment about that evidence item. If not entered, the system prevents the decision from being submitted.

As arbitrators, you will either **Confirm Damages Sought** or **Reduce Auto Damage Amount** by selecting the appropriate radio button seen below.



After determining the damage amount, enter your justification and select Done.

pportion Damages		Change Apportioned Amou		
Party		Proven Liability	Apportionment	
BETA INSURANCE OF COLORADO	(JESSICA WHITE)	10096	\$3,500.00	
Total Apportioned Amount			\$3,500.00	
✓ Justification	Reviewed appraisers notes on Alpha's estimate Based on this information, full damages award		d not fit property.	

In this example, the arbitrator selected **Confirm Damages Sought**, awarded all damages to the filing party, entered a justification, and selected **Done**.

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Reminder: When entering your justification, you are speaking to the non-prevailing party who needs to understand why their argument was not taken into consideration.

If selecting Reduce Auto Damage Amount, enter the new damage amount.

○ Confirm Damages Sought (\$3,500.00) ● Reduce Auto Damage Amount ✓ \$3,000.00

In addition to entering a justification, when selecting **Reduce Auto Damage Amount**, arbitrators must "show the math." This allows all parties to know how you arrived at the new amount for further clarity and understanding.

Apportion Damages Change Apportioned Amount Party Proven Liability Apportionment BETA INSURANCE OF COLORADO (JESSICA WHITE) 100% \$3,000.00 **Total Apportioned Amount** \$3,000.00 ✓ lustification Reviewed alpha's estimate confirming damages of \$3500.00. All parts listed were written using OEM Parts. Reviewed Beta's part search which confirms LKQ parts were available during the time the vehicle was in the shop for repairs. Breakdown is as follows: \$3500.00 Alpha's original estimate \$-500.00 Repair to front bumper, bumper guard and cushion, grill assembly (includes grill and header panel) \$3000.00 Damages Awarded Cancel

Lastly, from a quality standpoint, be sure to check all decisions prior to submitting for any mathematical or spelling errors. Comment only on evidence submitted and do not raise arguments not previously raised by the parties involved.

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