

SAM - TRAVEL

REIMBURSEMENT FOR DAMAGE TO PRIVATELY-OWNED VEHICLE

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An employee can claim repair for a privately-owned vehicle damaged while conducting official State business if the accident was not the employee's fault. Payment is made out of the employing agency's allotted travel funds. File the claim in the following manner:

1. File a Report of Vehicle Accident form, [STD. 270](#). See SAM Chapter [2400](#) for instructions.
2. Attempt to recover damages through insurance coverage.
3. Prepare TEC. Attach the green copy of STD. 270, signed by the employee's supervisor, and a receipted bill for repairs/parts to the TEC. Enter this certification in the Remarks Section of the TEC: "I hereby certify that this expense was incurred by me as a result of damage to my privately-owned vehicle. This expense is not reimbursable through the insurance coverage of any of the parties involved in the accident."
4. Submit three estimates of repair costs.

The approving official takes the following actions:

1. Reviews STD. 270 and TEC for compliance with the governing [CALHR](#) Rules.
2. Signs STD. 270 to certify that the vehicle was being operated on official State business and that the accident was not through the fault of the employee.
3. Determines the claim is not the result of the employee's, officers, or agent's decision not to maintain collision coverage. Claims filed because of a decision not to maintain collision coverage may be filed with the [Victim's Compensation and Government Claims Board](#).
4. Signs TEC to certify the employee has presented sufficient evidence that the repair expense has not been paid by insurance and to authorize payment for the least costly of the three competitive estimates.