

Collision Industry Data Protection and Sharing "Golden Rules"

The CIC Data Access, Privacy & Security Committee is an industry volunteer group whose mission it is to identify, present on and discuss topics surrounding data access, exchange and protection; and the ways in which these topics impact businesses operating within the collision repair industry.

The "Golden Rules" include the following practices:

- 1. Only use end-users' data for the service(s) they intended for it to be used; never collect or use their data against them, or for business purposes other than those expressly intended and permitted.
- 2. Always provide the end-user clarity, transparency, and continuing education on the data you collect, the business purposes for which it is being used.
- 3. Never misappropriate end users' data, or knowingly allow any third parties to covertly, dishonestly or unfairly access or take data generated by the end-user, for their own use.
- 4. Give end-users the choice to determine what data is and isn't shared, and the opportunity to opt-out of data collection outside of the primary intended purpose.
- 5. Provide end-users with a clearly published, straightforward process to inquire about data that has been acquired from their business and the immediate chain of custody that data has encountered.

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