Turn in Condition and Acceptable Repairs

Please contact your local Premier Trailer Leasing Operation department before attempting repairs to ensure the proper repair standards are met.

Front, Radius and Side Panels –

Acceptable upon return – Minor scrapes scratches and dents that do not puncture the side or radius panels. Pop rivet patches, adhesive patches, caulk or sealant are NOT acceptable forms or repair.

☐ Maximum patch size not to exceed 324 square inches (e.g. 18”x18”, 36”x9”, 24”x13.5”), all patches must be installed using hard type buck rivets. Any area that requires a larger patch will require a panel section or replacement, no minimum size, do not exceed two patches per panel, a section is not considered a patch.

☐ Minimum heights 6”, maximum not to exceed 30”, all sections are to be installed using hard type buck rivets. Sections are only permitted at the top or bottom of the panel, damage in excess of 324 square inches in the center of the panel requires full panel replacement.

Nose Rail, Bottom & Top Rails –

Acceptable upon return – Minor scrapes scratches and dents that do not puncture the rail, any deflection of the rail that does not exceed 3/8ths inch with no punctures or cracks.

☐ Small punctures in the Nose Rail, less than 3/8” in diameter can be welded and ground smooth.

☐ Bottom Rails deformed more than 3/8” but less than ¾” can be repaired and reinforced.

☐ Bottom Rails deformed in excess of ¾” are stretched to a point where they will not return to their normal size and appearance and must be sectioned.

☐ Small horizontal cuts or punctures in the Bottom Rail, less than 12” in length and no more than ¾” width can be repaired and reinforced.

☐ Please Note:
  o Top Rails are not to be straightened & reinforced or repaired & reinforced, any damage in excess of minor scrapes or deformation in excess of 3/8” will require sectioning or replacement.
  o All rails sections are to start from either the front or rear of trailer and cannot terminated within the center 10’ of the trailer; front rail sections must terminate a minimum of 4’ behind the center line of the landing gear.
  o All sections must be staggered a minimum of 4’
  o A maximum of two sectioned rails are allow on any trailer.
  o Three piece bottom or top rails are NOT acceptable
  o Nose rails are NOT to be sectioned

☐ Roof Repairs –

Acceptable upon return – Minor scratches or dents that do not puncture the roof sheet. Pop rivet patches, adhesive patches and caulk patches are not acceptable forms or repair.

☐ Maximum patch size 1296 square inches – 3’x3’, 4.5’x2’, 6’x1.5’ etc. Maximum overall length of any patch is 6’, maximum number of patches per roof 10, a maximum of 2 patches within any 10’ section. Section or replace roof needing more than 2,880 square inches (20 square feet) of patches within a 10’
section (two 2’x5’ patches, etc.), a roof section is not considered a patch. Only 3/16” x 3/8” soft type bucking rivets are allowed.

- All roof sections must start from either the front or the rear of the trailer.
- No center sections or three piece roofs permitted.
- Roof sections cannot terminate in the center 10’ of the trailer.
- Roof sections are to terminate 6” behind a roof bow.
- All translucent roof patches and sections must be installed using 2” wide .050 aluminum caps strips.

**Roof Bows –**

**Acceptable upon return** – minor scrapes and dents, less than ¼”

- Roof bows bent more than ¼”, cut, torn or twisted will require replacement.

**Swing Door Repairs –**

**Acceptable upon return** – The doors may have slight distortion of door panels and hardware, deterioration of the door gaskets, scratched or scraped as long as the aluminum skin is not punctured. If doors are dented such that the interior door blank is exposed, broken or no longer water tight, repairs will be needed.

- Typical repairs include straightening, sectioning or replacement.
- Small cuts less than 1” square can be repaired using silicone sealant applied to the damaged area and smoothed out.

**Floor Repairs –**

**Acceptable upon return** – Hardwood & Apitong, minor scrapes and gouges (less than 25% of floor thickness)

Aluminum, minor scrapes and minor dents as long as the floor is not punctured.

- Hardwood and Apitong floors with gouges in excess of 25% but less than 50% of the original floor thickness and be repaired using an approved floor filler. For gouges in excess of 50% or holes in the floor the floor must be sectioned.
  - All floor sections must span three cross members at minimum.
  - All adjoining sections must be staggered by one cross member.
  - Aluminum Floors with small holes or cuts less than 12” in length can be repaired.
  - Damage in excess of 12” in length will require the aluminum floor pans to be sectioned.
- **Cross Members –**

**Acceptable upon return** – Minor dents and/or deflection less than ½” of an inch is acceptable as long as the cross member is not cut or torn and the flange is not pulled away from the floor.

- Cross Members at the front, over the landing legs or in the bay area must be replaced if:
  - They are cut, torn, crushed, twisted or deflected/deformed in excess of ½”
- Cross Members over the tandem can be repaired:
  - If the flange is not torn away from the floor.
If the damage is located within 6” of the bottom rail and the cross member can be straightened

- Cross Members over the tandem must be sectioned or replaced if:
  - If the flange is torn away from the floor.
  - If the damage is more than 6” from the bottom rail.
  - If the cross member is deflected / deformed more than ½”

Note: No more than 2 adjoining cross members can be sectioned and no more than 1 section per cross member.

**ICC Bumpers and Rear Under-ride Guard –**

**Acceptable upon return** – minor scrapes and dents as long as the deflection is less than 20 degrees or 2” and the uprights or tube is not twisted or cut.

- Trailers 1997 model year or older, the ICC Bumper can be repair.

- Trailers 1998 model year or newer, the rear under-ride guard will require replacement in whole or in part to retain DOT certification.

Note: All welding must be performed by a certified welder to insure DOT certification is retained.

**Side Posts –**

**Acceptable upon return** – minor scrapes and dents, less than ½”

- If a side post is cut or cannot be straightened to their original shape they must be replaced.

**Plywood –**

**Acceptable upon return** – minor scrapes, cuts or holes less than 4”

- Holes in plywood in excess of 4” or if a side post is exposed requires replacement.

**Scuff Liner –**

**Acceptable upon return** - minor scrapes and dents as long as the scuff is still attached with no sharp edges.

- Scuff liner that is cut, torn or bent to a point is cannot be straighten to its original shape must be sectioned. All sections must begin and terminate at the center of a side post.
Tires—

Acceptable upon return—

Trailers with a manufactures date of 2011 or newer require low rolling resistance tires to comply with the Greenhouse Gas regulation/ U.S. EPA verified technologies, (Smartway)

- **Premier Approved/Accepted Smartway Tires are as follows:** Bridgestone, Goodyear, Hankook, General, Firestone, Michelin, Yokohama, Toyo, Kumho

- Trailers returned with a non-qualifying or unapproved casing will be charged present tire replacement value.

Spread Axle Flatbed Trailers must utilize New or Used Originals tires on the front axle tire positions. Premier’s preferred tire type Yokohama RYS87 or RY023

Customers will be responsible for replacement cost for Tires not meeting this criterion at time of termination.