

News Release

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Chief University Releases 2012 Training Schedule

Madison, Ind. (Feb. 8, 2012) – Chief University, the trusted training arm of Chief Automotive Technologies, announces its 2012 schedule of hands-on training courses for collision repair technicians, estimators and appraisers.

The schedule includes many opportunities to take Chief's newest course on Design Based Repair. This comprehensive class features 16 hours of instruction on the efficient, economical and proper repair of a vehicle to return it to original design specifications. The course concentrates on the use of new materials including high-strength steels, boron, aluminum and carbon fiber in modern vehicle design, as well as the proper use of OEM information and repair procedures to effect thorough, correct and safe repairs to the vehicle and its advanced safety systems.

Other Chief University classes scheduled this year cover computerized measuring, structural analysis and repair, steering and suspension, and collision theory.

Chief University classes are held in training centers throughout the United States and Canada. They combine classroom training with hands-on demonstrations and practice. All courses are led by professional Chief certified instructors, and most are approved for I-CAR points through the I-CAR Industry Training Alliance program. Chief training also has been certified by the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) for compliance with the Continuing Automotive Service Education (CASE) Standards. Most Chief University classes cost \$655 and include comprehensive training materials and certificates of completion. Structural Damage Analysis is a three-day course that costs \$985.

Class offerings are updated frequently. A partial schedule of available classes is below. For the most up-to-date schedule, course descriptions and to register, visit www.chiefautomotive.com/training/chiefuniversity.asp.

Technician/Estimator/Appraiser		
Design Based Repair		
Feb. 21-22	Mather Air Force Base, Rancho Cordova	CA
Feb. 21-22	Collegeville	PA
Feb. 23-24	Norman	OK
March 8-9	Norwalk	CA
March 13-14	Inkster	MI
March 22-23	Lakewood	CO
March 29-30	Calgary	AB
April 17-18	Madison	WI
June 5-6	Charlottesville	VA
Aug. 7-8	Alpharetta	GA
Oct. 9-10	Madison	WI
Nov. 13-14	Orem	UT
Dec. 11-12	Richardson	TX

Technician Classes		
Computerized Measuring		
Feb. 14-15	Pompano Beach	FL
Feb. 15-16	Columbia	MD
Feb. 21-22	Norman	OK
March 6-7	Wheeling	IL
March 20-21	Lakewood	CO
March 27-28	Eustis	FL
April 3-4	Williamsport	PA
April 3-4	Pompano Beach	FL
April 25-26	Mather Air Force Base, Rancho Cordova	CA
May 1-2	Boise	ID
June 5-6	Troy	NY
June 12-13	Pompano Beach	FL
Aug. 28-29	Pompano Beach	FL
Sept. 11-12	Charlottesville	VA
Nov. 6-7	Pompano Beach	FL
Full Frame Analysis & Repair Planning		
March 8-9	Wheeling	IL
March 13-14	Altoona	PA
March 20-21	Collegeville	PA
March 29-30	Eustis	FL
April 5-6	Pompano Beach	FL
April 10-11	Verona	PA
Aug. 30-31	Pompano Beach	FL
Sept. 13-14	Charlottesville	VA
Nov. 8-9	Pompano Beach	FL
Dec. 13-14	Richardson	TX
Advanced Steering & Suspension		
March 1-2	Windsor	CT

Estimator/Appraiser Classes		
Structural Damage Analysis		
Feb. 21-23	Windsor Locks	CT
March 6-9	Madison	WI
March 13-15	Mather Air Force Base, Sacramento	CA
March 20-22	Charlottesville	VA
April 3-5	Portland	OR
April 3-5	Arlington	TX
April 10-12	Alpharetta	GA
April 10-12	Orem	UT
April 17-19	Collegeville	PA
May 1-3	Windsor	CT
May 8-10	Wheeling	IL
May 15-17	Lakewood	CO
June 12-14	Windsor	CT
July 10-12	Charlottesville	VA
July 17-19	Hopkinton	MA
July 24-26	Inkster	MI
Oct. 9-11	Windsor	CT
Dec. 18-20	Windsor	CT
Advanced Frame Analysis		
Feb. 28-29	Windsor	CT
March 27-28	Collegeville	PA
May 8-9	Windsor	CT
May 15-16	Charlottesville	VA
June 19-20	Windsor	CT
June 26-27	Madison	WI
July 24-25	Madison	WI
Aug. 7-8	Orem	UT
Oct. 2-3	Lakewood	CO
Oct. 2-3	Windsor	CT

March 29-30	Collegeville	PA
May 10-11	Windsor	CT
May 17-18	Charlottesville	VA
June 21-22	Windsor	CT
June 28-29	Madison	WI
July 26-27	Madison	WI
Aug. 9-10	Sandy	UT
Oct. 4-5	Windsor	CT
Oct. 4-5	Lakewood	CO
Oct. 18-19	Alpharetta	GA
Oct. 18-19	Collegeville	PA
Oct. 25-26	Arlington	TX
Oct. 25-26	Charlottesville	VA
Nov. 1-2	Hopkinton	MA
Nov. 8-9	Wheeling	IL
Dec. 6-7	Windsor	CT
Unitized Body Analysis & Planning		
Feb. 16-17	Pompano Beach	FL

Oct. 16-17	Collegeville	PA
Oct. 16-17	Alpharetta	GA
Oct. 23-24	Charlottesville	VA
Oct. 23-24	Arlington	TX
Oct. 30-31	Hopkinton	MA
Nov. 6-7	Wheeling	IL
Dec. 4-5	Windsor	CT
Advanced Steering/Suspension Analysis		
Oct. 4-5	Lakewood	CO
Oct. 25-26	Arlington	TX
Nov. 8-9	Wheeling	IL

Additional classes offered by Chief University include Advanced Unibody Repair and Advanced Frame Repair. Classes may be scheduled at a customer location as long as a Chief frame rack and at least 12 students are available. Customized training is also available.

For more information about Chief University training, visit www.chiefautomotive.com or call Customer Service at (800) 445-9262.

About Chief Automotive Technologies

Chief Automotive Technologies, a Vehicle Service Group (VSG) brand, is one of the world’s largest manufacturers of high-quality collision repair products and services, including frame-pulling equipment, vehicle anchoring systems, computerized measuring systems, and vehicle frame specifications. Chief is also a leading provider of comprehensive training on structural analysis, computerized measuring, collision theory and design based repair. Additionally, Chief is the exclusive supplier of Elektron welders, battery chargers and plasma cutters in North, Central and South America.

VSG comprises eight major collision repair and vehicle lifting brands: Chief Automotive, Rotary Lift®, Forward® Lift, Direct-Lift®, Hanmecson®, Revolution® Lift, Blitz® and nogra®. Based in Madison, Ind., VSG has operations worldwide, including ISO 9001-certified manufacturing facilities on three continents. VSG is part of the Engineered Systems segment of Dover Corporation (NYSE: DOV), a multi-billion dollar, global producer of innovative equipment, specialty systems and value-added services.