

AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE COMPANY CLAIM APPRAISER

We have an outstanding opportunity for an In-House Claims Appraiser to contribute in a fast paced, growing organization. American Freedom Insurance Company, a financially strong and rated "A+" Superior by A.M. Best (the most highly respected insurance rating organization) is seeking a responsible and hardworking individual to join our Claim Department.

We are a midsized, profitable and expanding nonstandard automobile insurance company doing business in Illinois, Indiana, Pennsylvania, and Tennessee. The position is located in Mount Prospect, IL, a northwest suburb of Chicago.

Job Description

- Review damaged vehicle information to determine extent of structural, body, mechanical, electrical, or interior damage
- Estimate Parts and Labor to repair damage
- Determine Salvage Value on total loss vehicles
- Review repair cost estimates with auto repair shops and negotiate agreement on cost of repairs
- Prepare claim reports to indicate repair cost estimates and recommendations
- Controlling claims costs and expenses to the extent possible
- Identify process improvement opportunities to increase effectiveness and efficiency
- Answer and respond to attorney, regulatory, producer and consumer inquiries
- Build and Maintain relationships with quality, cost conscious repair shops
- Maintaining an effective and organized operation
- Other duties as assigned

Qualifications:

- Minimum 4 year work experience of writing auto damage estimates and or equivalent body shop experience
- Excellent working knowledge of estimating programs, collision repair-Knowledge of CCC, I-Car and ASE practices and procedures preferred
- Strong understanding of the local marketplaces
- Proficiency with technology
- Excellent oral and written communication and negotiation skills with individuals from all backgrounds, including Mechanics and bodyworkers
- A responsible and conscientious nature
- Ability to manage scheduled tasks and meet deadlines
- Good problem solving aptitude
- Attention to detail and excellent quality of work

The Position:

-Regular Full Time Status

-Competitive Salary

-401K - with company contribution of up to 4% of salary

-Attractive Health insurance plans -- BlueCross Blue Shield PPO, HMO or Select

-Individual Vision and Dental plans

-Reports to Management

-Holiday Pay & Vacation

-BusinessCasual Work Environment