

# Entering *Prior Payments (Adverse Party)*

Adverse Party makes prior payment to the Recovering Party for damages.



- Step 1: Go to the Feature Response Workflow Step.
- Step 2: Select “Add Prior Payment Made” enter the amount and provide a payment description.
- Step 3: Attach evidence to support payment was *cash*ed/*clear*ed/*depos*ited.

- When describing a payment, please enter as shown in Step 2. Payments described in other workflow steps could be overlooked by the arbitrator (IE., Liability Arguments, Damage Disputes or Additional Exposure fields).
- Do attach evidence supporting payment was cashed/cleared. This is required to receive a credit.
- Prior payments are defined as payments made to the Recovering Party, its insured, or vendors and should **only be entered for damages being sought in the filing.** (IE., vehicle damages, deductibles, rental, total losses, diminished value, towing, storage, car seats.)
- Do not enter** payments for out-of-pocket expenses or damages NOT sought in the filing. (IE., out-of-pocket rental, contents etc..). This includes payments to parties not named in the filing (IE., additional exposures/innocent parties).
- When responding to a supplement filing, only enter a prior payment as it relates to the supplement (IE., do not include the original award payment in this section).

WORKFLOW STEPS

- Confirm Incident Details and My Party Information
- Implead Adverse Parties
- Liability Arguments
- Coverage Response - Collision
- Feature Response - 2021 FORD** 1
- Add My Damages
- Filing Options & Billing
- Review Response

Recovery Sought

Company-Paid Damages

Auto Damage	\$2,635.00	<input type="button" value="Dispute"/>
Rental	\$256.20	<input type="button" value="Dispute"/>
Towing	\$142.00	<input type="button" value="Dispute"/>
<b>Total Sought</b>	<b>\$3,033.20</b>	
<b>Total Proposed</b>	<b>\$3,033.20</b>	
<b>Difference</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	

Insured Deductible

Deductible Amount   2

Prior Payments Made

ALPHA INSURANCE OF FLORIDA has not accepted prior payments from BETA INSURANCE OF COLORADO.

Payment Amount

Payment Description

Supporting Evidence for Feature Response  3

Per Rule 2-5, prior payments must be entered in the “Add Prior Payment Made” field for the credit to be applied to the award.

➤ Stop! Do not enter prior payments or descriptions in other workflow steps.

**Liability Arguments field**

Beta Insurance contends that Alpha contributed to this loss. The police officer marked Alpha's speed as a contributing factor making them partially responsible for their own damages. Beta issued a payment to Alpha in the amount of \$2,000 to settle this claim and we request the arbitrator give us a credit for that amount.

**Damages Disputes field**

Proposed Amount: \$1,500.00  
 Dispute Type(s): Third Party  
 Justification: Beta Insurance has already paid Alpha Insurance \$2000 towards this loss and should be reduced from the award.  
 Alpha Ins. seeking damages totaling \$ 3500.00  
 less Beta's Ins. prior payment ~~-\$2000.00~~  
 Total Owed \$ 1500.00

**Additional Exposures field**

Exposure 1 Amount: \$2000.00  
 Exposure 1 Description: Payment made to Alpha Ins. for damages to Jack Black's 2014 Subaru Outback



➤ Stop! Do not enter prior payments for damages not being sought by the Recovering Party.

Recovery Sought

Company-Paid Damages

Auto Damage	\$3,500.00
Rental	\$124.00
Towing	\$50.00

Prior Payments Made

ALPHA INSURANCE OF FLORIDA has not accepted prior payments from BETA INSURANCE OF COLORADO.

Payment Amount: \$250.00  
 Payment Description: Payment paid directly to Alpha's Insured- Jack Black for Car Seat.

Damages being sought by Recovering Party include: Vehicle Damages/Rental/Towing

Payment is for damages not sought in filing (car seat).

Entering a prior payment not sought in the filing will erroneously reduce the Recovering Party's award. This includes payments not covered under a first party contract (IE., contents, out of pocket rental, etc.) but for which an Adverse party may be liable to pay.

Payments for parties not named in the filing should not be included (IE., additional exposures/innocent parties).

When policy limits are at risk, Adverse Parties should enter prior payments in the *Additional Exposures* field.