

Training Results

In addition to receiving immediate feedback on increased transfer efficiency during Spray Technique Analysis and Research (STAR®) training, material usage for those spray technicians participating in the Automotive Refinishing Pollution Prevention was tracked for six months to determine “real life” emission reductions.

For three months prior to receiving STAR® training, automotive refinishing shop owners collected materials usage data and repair order information for each technician. Upon successful completion of STAR® training, each spray technician was issued a Laser Touch™ targeting device to use for the three months immediately following training. Data collected during the three months after training was compared to the data collected prior to training to determine if the spray technicians applied the techniques acquired and achieved emission reductions.

Custom Auto Body, located at 7939 Raytheon Road in San Diego, reduced their paint usage and emissions by 14% after sending their spray technician through training.

D&M Auto Body, 1085 Eastshore Drive in Albany, realized a 39% decrease in paint usage and emissions after having their two technicians trained.

George V. Arth & Son, 110 10th Street in Oakland, sent two spray technicians to training and reduced their paint usage and emissions by 3%

Maaco, 3215 Production Avenue in Oceanside, had two painters participate in the training program and realized a 45% decrease in paint usage and emissions.

Larkfield Body and Paint, 15 Larkcenter Drive in Santa Rosa, had four painters participate in our training program and together they achieved an 11% decrease in paint usage and emissions.

***Together, these five facilities reduced emissions
by approximately two tons annually!
Congratulations!***