

# Thatchamnet

## **What is Thatchamnet?**

Thatchamnet was created to provide a convenient on-line portal where collision repair industry personnel can quickly and easily acquire valuable specialist information on automotive body repair methods.

Access is via [www.thatchamnet.com](http://www.thatchamnet.com). Here you will find detailed crash repair methods for a range of vehicles from almost every manufacturer in the world. Searching through the database is straightforward with information separated by manufacturer, model, body shape, trim level and derivative. All methods are fully researched to ensure they provide practical solutions for the efficient, safe and cost effective repair of modern vehicles. Thatchamnet's vast library of information is constantly being added to as new vehicle models are released.

*Note: At this point information on vehicles which are specific to the Australian/New Zealand market (for example, Holden Commodore and Ford Falcon) is not included on Thatchamnet. This may change in the future.*

## **Why is it being introduced?**

As vehicle design has become more and more complex so have repair requirements. Today, the collision repair industry needs a reliable source of information, such as the identification of the latest vehicle construction materials (including high strength steels and aluminium), welding and bonding techniques and specifications, as well as other specialised knowledge. In the past, access to this type of information has been limited but Thatchamnet provides an excellent solution by making available safe and cost effective methods of repair that really work.

Thatchamnet is a product of Thatcham, a U.K. based, independently operated, not for profit organisation. Established in 1969, it is dedicated to providing a range of products and services to assist all those involved in the repair of accident damaged vehicles.

PPG recognised the value this service could offer the local market and, as a result, the company has now been appointed to provide and facilitate access to Thatchamnet for the collision repair industry across Australia and New Zealand.

## **When will it be available?**

Rollout date is mid October 2008

## **How does a customer subscribe?**

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