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## 501/0126/2 Level 1 Diploma in Tyre Fitting Competence

### OVERVIEW

- What does this qualification cover?

This qualification covers the knowledge and skills required to work towards becoming a competent Tyre Technician.

Tyre technicians replace tyres when they are worn, damaged or faulty. Tyre replacement work involves:

- Removing the wheel/s from the vehicle and releasing the air from the tyre/s
- Removing the tyre from the wheel using specialist equipment
- Fitting a new tyre and inflating it, ensuring it reaches the correct pressure for the vehicle
- Replacing the wheel if necessary
- Making detailed checks for nails and cracks especially on larger, heavier vehicles
- Advising customers of legal requirements to replace tyres, and assessing the vehicles' needs
- Recording the work carried out
- Tyre technicians will use a range of power tools to aid them in their roles and may find themselves working on a variety of vehicles from cars, vans and motorcycles to heavy vehicles such as lorries or buses.

Other non-technical but essential skills also include:

As a tyre technician you will need to demonstrate:

- Good communication skills
- The ability to use specialist equipment
- The ability to work alone, except on heavier vehicles where team working will be required
- Good practical and manual skills
- Good levels of physical fitness
- The ability to explain technical issues in a simple way to customers

This is a framework qualification.

- Who could take this qualification?

This is a practical qualification for those working towards becoming a competent Tyre Technician who want to demonstrate their skills on the job, in their own workplace.

#### WHAT COULD THIS QUALIFICATION LEAD TO?

Learners who are successful will have proved they are able to work competently at the standard expected for a Tyre Technician.

In terms of further training, learners could register upon completion on to the Level 2 Diploma in Vehicle Fitting Principles Diploma (501/0748/3) or the Level 2 Certificate in Vehicle Fitting Principles (600/1448/9) to acquire further service and maintenance skills to move into the next level.

In addition, they could take up an Intermediate Level Apprenticeship in Vehicle Fitting – either in Fast Fit or Specialist Tyre Fitting.

#### WHO SUPPORTS THIS QUALIFICATION?

This qualification is supported by The Institute for the Motor Industry (IMI) who is the professional association and membership organisation for the automotive retail sector, representing both members and employers in the sector.