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500/9987/5 Level 2 Diploma in Accident Repair Paint Competence

OVERVIEW

- What does this qualification cover?

This qualification covers the knowledge and skills required to work competently as a Paint Technician.

When cars, vans, motorcycles and larger vehicles are damaged in accidents, they are taken to a body repair workshop. Some repairers will complete the process from start to finish and others will have specialised roles and work on one part of the repair process.

Paint technicians are responsible for preparing vehicles to be painted after damage has occurred or panels have been replaced. This will include repairing minor scratches to match the rest of the vehicle. Duties of a paint technician may include:

- Ensuring all parts have been stripped from the vehicle in order for it to be painted
- Sanding down relevant area and adjoining areas for blending
- Masking out areas to be treated
- Etching and priming area to be treated
- Selecting, matching and mixing colour.

Other non-technical but essential skills also include:

- Strong communication skills
- The ability to work alone and as part of a team
- The ability to maintain quality under pressure
- An awareness of safety procedures
- The ability to use specialist equipment
- The ability to follow written and verbal instructions
- Good manual skills
- A good eye for detail and colour.

This is a framework qualification.

- Who could take this qualification?

This is a practical qualification for Paint Technicians 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 Paint Technician.

In terms of further training, learners could register upon completion on to the Level 3 Diploma in Accident Repair Paint Competence (500/9988/7) to acquire the diagnostic skills required to move into the next level.

In addition, they could take up an Advanced Apprenticeship in Vehicle Body and Paint - Body Refinishing Repair to become a Senior Paint Technician.

WHO SUPPORTS THIS QUALIFICATION?

This qualification is supported by the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders (SMMT). The SMMT works closely with key players in the industry such as manufacturers, independent garages, governmental organisations to act as the voice of the motor industry and promoting its position in the UK and abroad.