

Motor Vehicle Body & Paint Apprenticeship Level 3

As an apprentice you will spend the majority of your time working with your employer developing your practical skills, focusing on a specific pathway in Body Repair, Paint Refinishing, Body Building or MET (Mechanical, Electrical & Trim). You will also spend one day a week in college working on your portfolio or further developing your knowledge.

Quick Information

Qualification:	
Date:	On Application
Assessment:	You will be assessed at your place of work in addition to taking online exams.
Level:	2
Area:	Automotive/Motor Vehicle
Course Code:	GWAVB1

About the Course

As an apprentice, you will be working on cars or commercial vehicles undertaking a variety of supervised tasks.

You will spend the majority of your time working with your employer, and usually one day per week in college. Your college day will cover technical theory and practical (workshop and classroom) in your chosen specialism. If you need to complete functional skills qualifications, these will also be delivered on your day in college.

Key Units

Your duties will vary depending on the qualification you are working towards.

- **The Body Repair route** will include repairing plastics and metals, removal and refitting of non-structural panels and welding techniques.
- **The Paint Refinish route** will include preparation of plastic and metal panels, primer application and fault rectification.
- **The Mechanical, Electrical and Trim route** includes wheel alignment, suspension, electrics and trim removal as well as replacing body panels.
- **The Body Building route** includes removal and fitting of body panels, assembling vehicle body components, working on electrical components and welding and bonding techniques.

You will also cover health and safety in the workplace and use of tools on all routes.

Entry Requirements

- 5 GCSEs grades A*- D or acceptable alternatives including English Language and Maths (no lower than an E)
- You will also need to gain a suitable employer

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Assessment

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Where does this Lead

You may wish to undertake further study (e.g. a HNC/HND or degree programme) or go straight into employment.

Future Opportunities

Possible career opportunities could include working in an accident repair garage, as a mobile repair technician working for a railway company or working on cars or commercial vehicles.

Tell Me More

Will this course suit me?

An ideal student for this course is one who is motivated and enthusiastic and can work well as part of a team. You must be prepared for hard work and be good with your hands.

Please note: this course may not be suitable for students with asthma.

Industry Experience

During your apprenticeship you will learn from first-hand, on the job experience that will equip you with the real skills that employers look for when it comes to applying for a full time role.

Earn As You Learn

As an apprentice you will take home a weekly wage (usually upwards of £100) so you won't be out of pocket whilst you work towards your qualification.

Finding an Apprenticeship Placement

To be an apprentice you need to be employed by a company for 40 hours per week (which includes one day a week attendance at college). You are encouraged to look for your own placement. The College will help to find a suitable placement but the emphasis is on you. You can search our current apprenticeship vacancies [here](#).

Extra Costs

You will need to provide your own overalls and protective gear (e.g. appropriate work boots).

There may also be an additional cost to travel to and from your employers premises.

Students in financial hardship can apply to the [Learner Support Fund](#) for help towards these costs.

