

Motor Vehicle Body & Paint

Apprenticeship Level 3

An apprenticeship can be a smart, cost-effective way of taking on a new recruit to work in your automotive business, or to train up an existing member of staff.

This apprenticeship will prepare your trainee for working on cars or commercial vehicles undertaking a variety of supervised tasks, focusing on a specific pathway in Body Repair, Paint Refinishing, Body Building or MET (Mechanical, Electrical & Trim).

At the end of their apprenticeship, your trainee will be able to work as a competent technician or trainee senior technician in your team and should be in a position to develop more advanced skills.

Key Areas of Study

There are two vocational qualifications to this apprenticeship: City & Guilds Level 3 Diploma in Accident Repair Body Competence and City & Guilds Level 3 Diploma in Vehicle Accident Repair Paint Principles.

Each of these diplomas has mandatory and optional units, allowing for tailoring to the requirements of the role in your business:

- The Body Repair route includes complex repairs to plastics and metals, removal and refitting of non-structural panels, repair of structural panels, body realignment and welding techniques.
- The Paint Refinish route includes preparation of plastic and metal panels, primer application, applications of topcoat and repairs to paint defects.
- The Mechanical, Electrical and Trim route includes wheel alignment, suspension, electrics and complex trim removal and repair, recovery of F-Gas, 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.

The apprenticeship will cover health and safety in the workplace and use of tools on all routes.

Quick Information:

Modern Apprenticeships designed with employers

Sector:

Automotive / Motor Vehicle

Who is it for?

New recruits or existing staff

Start date:

Flexible to suit employers

Level:

Level 3

Duration:

Minimum 12 months

How does it work?

Delivered in your workplace with one day a week at College and a visit from a training and assessment facilitator every 6 to 8 weeks

Content:

Key competence and knowledge to suit your organisation

Assessment:

Work-based assessments throughout the course and online exams

Qualification:

L3 Diploma in Accident Repair Body Competence; L3 Diploma in Vehicle Accident Repair Paint Principles



Training, Tutoring and Assessment

The whole programme takes a minimum of 12 months to complete. Your apprentice will mainly learn on the job, but the apprenticeship also includes 20% off-the-job training. Throughout the year, your trainee will spend four days a week working with you on site as an apprentice technician and the other one day a week in College building their skills and knowledge.

Whilst at College, your trainee will receive training to cover the technical theory and practical elements (workshop and classroom) in the chosen specialism and to complete functional skills qualifications, if needed.

Assessment takes place in the workplace in addition to taking online exams.

We will support you and your trainee through regular one-to-one visits by a trained assessor every six to eight weeks. These visits will cover one-to-one support and individual learning, as well as observations to assess your trainee's competencies in the workplace and a review of their portfolio of evidence.

Apprentice Entry Requirements

Apprentices will have already achieved a Level 2 apprenticeship in the relevant pathway and will be required to have 5 x GCSEs with minimum Grades D / 3 (or equivalents), including English and Maths (no lower than an E / 2) or have achieved Functional Skills Level 1 in English, Maths and ICT prior to being accepted onto this apprenticeship. All apprentices will work towards completion of Level 2 Functional Skills in English, Maths and ICT. Experience in the industry would be beneficial but is not essential.

Future/Other Opportunities

Further study (e.g. a HNC/HND or degree programme).

More information

To find out more about the opportunities and financing of apprenticeships and to discuss your particular requirements, please email employer@sheffcol.ac.uk or call **0114 260 2600** to speak to one of our friendly employer advisors.

Why choose The Sheffield College?

As one of the region's largest providers of apprenticeships, The Sheffield College is more than just your local provider; we deliver the dedicated support you need to source, train and get the best out of your apprentice.

We have undertaken significant capital investment in supporting our automotive trades provision. Our Olive Grove campus has a dedicated motor vehicle workshop with tyre fitting machine, wheel balancing machines and car ramps as well as a workshop for body repair and refinishing. We have also invested in our staff who are all fully qualified and have vast experience within the industry.

We appreciate how difficult and time consuming it can be to recruit staff. That's why, when you recruit an apprentice with us, our dedicated apprenticeship recruitment service, Job Connect, will advertise the vacancy, engage your candidates and even pre-screen them to make the process as easy as possible for you.

We help you get the best deal by finding the right funding and we handle the paperwork to make the process of arranging an apprenticeship training programme as smooth as possible. Our employer partnership team, apprenticeship tutors and assessment staff are experts, and we invest time and money in training and upskilling them regularly so their knowledge is up-to-date and industry standard.

At The Sheffield College we go above and beyond; we know that every business is different and we help to develop apprentices who will meet the needs of your business.

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