

# WELCOME TO THE VEHICLE BODY REPAIR DEPARTMENT

There is no doubt about it; you have made a great choice to explore the exciting world of Motor Vehicle Body Repair!

Modern Motor Vehicle Body Repair is very much a 21st century industry with vehicles now crammed with the latest technology some of which can trace its roots to Formula 1 racing or aerospace technology.

Here at the Tameside Vehicle Body Repair department we train and qualify students to reinstate accident damaged vehicles to their pre accident condition, in compliance with the latest industry repair methods. The unique advantage of this course is that we also train you and assist you in developing 'transferable skills'. These skills easily cross over into other areas of motor vehicle repair such as vehicle electrics, basic vehicle maintenance and many more. The list is endless!

The Tameside Body Repair department offers a limited number of places. At the moment there are only 28 places for students available at Level 1 each year. Demand is high and we will only take students who demonstrate a genuine interest and who are willing to give their full attention to the course.

## ANY QUESTIONS OR QUERIES PLEASE CONTACT:

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In all aspects of college life we value diversity.

Tameside College Motor Vehicle



# TAMESIDE COLLEGE VEHICLE BODY REPAIR



**MAKING YOUR FUTURE HAPPEN...**

# ABOUT THE COURSE

The Vehicle Body Repair course takes place two-days each week over a 36-weeks period. The two days you spend at the College are split between Theory teaching and training in the Workshop.



## WORKSHOP

This is where we will train you in the practical side of the subject where tasks such as repairing dents using body filler, welding, removing and refitting vehicle components and using a vast array of hand and power tools are taught.

You will be trained by highly skilled and experienced body repair professionals who have worked for some of the leading manufacturers and accident repair centres in the country

Starting at a very basic level, we nurture the students through a number of practical tasks culminating in an Assessment of Competence.

This process exists in order to assess whether you have mastered the course. If not, we will let you practice until you have!

## THEORY

We can't get away from the fact that there is no point in knowing HOW to follow a repair process if you don't understand WHY you have to follow that particular process and do it 'that certain way'.

Here at the Tameside College's Body Repair Department we train you to be able to explain different procedures required to repair accident damaged vehicles. This is taught in a fun and relaxed way using interesting resources and active learning techniques. The final assessment for the Theory sessions is in the form of 12 written assessments and 3 online multiple choice tests.

Throughout the course you will develop a practical portfolio\* and also maintain a written theory folder as evidence of attending the guided learning hours stipulated by the awarding body, the IMI (Institute of the Motor Industry).

*\*this is completed in an E-portfolio*

# YOUR UNIQUE EXPERIENCE

Here are some of the exciting opportunities and experiences on offer during a typical body repair course:

- // 100% achievement rate
- // Demonstrations and visits from leading manufacturers and suppliers such as, 3M, HB Body, Power Tec and ESAB Welding
- // Internal competitions
- // Hands-on training
- // Excellent progression to employment and apprenticeships
- // Practicing with cutting-edge tools and equipment
- // Project vehicles

If you love cars we can help you achieve a qualification.

### DID YOU KNOW?

Vehicle Body Repair Technicians earn OTE of between £25,000 and £35,000 a year.

## PROGRESSION

**Once you have completed the Level 1 course there is progression to Level 2 available, but only if you achieve the required grade and demonstrate that you are committed to proceed! Level 3 could follow as well.**



# BUYING YOUR KIT

To join the course, as with all vocational subjects, a kit is required for you to train with.

The kit for the Body Repair course costs £85 and consists of a comprehensive tool kit in a storage case supplied by Halfords. You will also need a steel toe capped work boots and overalls which can be purchased through Tameside College for £24 for both.

Other Personal Protective Equipment you'll need such as goggles, gloves and ear defenders are provided by the college whilst in the workshop environment - your safety is of major importance for the College. We use top suppliers and order big quantities of kits, equipment and consumables each year.

This leads to fantastic discounts that we then pass onto you.

### BURSARIES

Bursaries for the kit are available for everyone - these are subject to financial circumstances.

## APPRENTICESHIPS

If you find a job in a body shop we can facilitate the NVQ qualification through TCT (Tameside College Training).

# FUNCTIONAL SKILLS

A good knowledge of Maths and English is nowadays an important prerequisite for all young people looking to find employment. Here at Tameside College, along with government directives, we want young people to achieve at least a Level 2 standard in Maths and English. In this way we make sure that you are equipped with the tools you will need to enter into employment in the future.

// If you are unable to achieve a GCSE grade C or above whilst at school, you will be required to attend Functional Skills Maths and English sessions. These sessions take place two hours each week.

// If you achieve a grade D in Maths and/or English you will be required to do a GCSE resit which encompasses 3 hours per week in each subject.

// If you leave school and have achieved GCSE grade C or above, there will be no need for you to attend the Functional skills sessions or the GCSE sessions at the College but we will need to see evidence of your GCSE results at the start of the course.