

# Vehicle Damage Paint Technician

Level: 2  
Duration: 39 months

Paint technicians work in the vehicle body repair sector, restoring the finish of vehicles after they have been damaged in accidents.



## Apprenticeship overview

You will learn the art and science of paint application. This includes preparing surfaces, matching complex colours, and applying primers, basecoats, and clearcoats to achieve a "factory finish" on repaired vehicles.

### Core skills, knowledge and behaviours you will learn

- Surface preparation (sanding, masking, and priming)
- Paint mixing and colour matching using digital technology
- Application techniques using spray guns in a booth environment
- Identifying and fixing paint defects
- Understanding vehicle construction and materials
- Health and safety, including the safe use of chemicals and solvents

### Typical job roles

- Vehicle Paint Sprayer
- Refinishing Technician
- Bodyshop Paint Technician
- Prepper/Polisher

### Where you might work

- Accident repair centres (bodyshops)
- Vehicle restoration companies
- Car manufacturers (production lines)
- Specialist custom paint shops

### Good to know

You will spend a lot of time working in a spray booth wearing air-fed respiratory equipment

A "right first time" approach is essential to avoid costly "re-work"

You need a very keen eye for detail and colour nuances