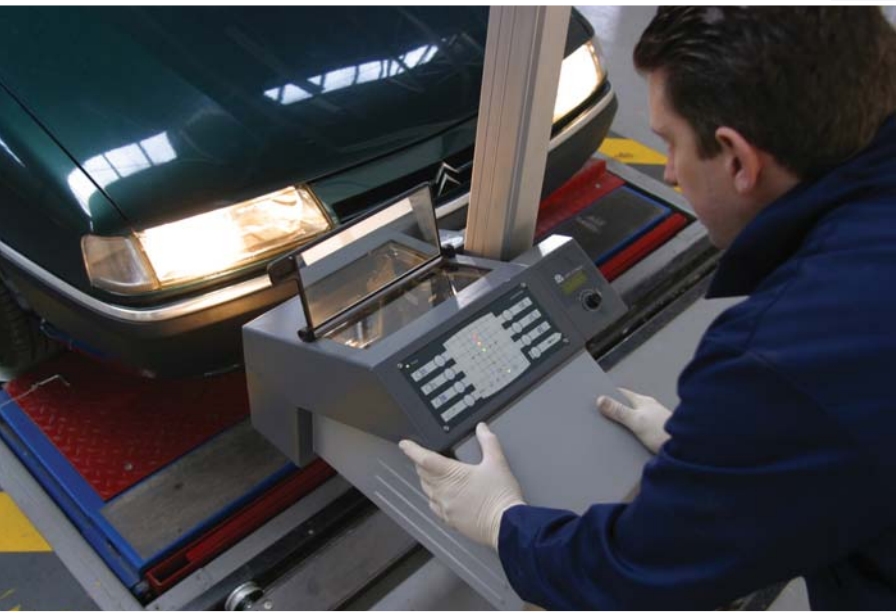


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You need to:

- 1 Be nominated by the Authorised Examiner of a vehicle testing station.
- 2 Have a full driving licence for the classes of vehicle you want to MOT test.
- 3 Be a skilled mechanic with at least 4 years full time employment in the service and repair of the vehicle types to be tested.
- 4 Have no “unsent” convictions for criminal offences connected with the Vehicle Testing Scheme or the motor trade, or involving acts of violence or intimidation.
- 5 Be otherwise of good repute.
- 6 For classes 3, 4, 5 or 7, have passed the NTT Assessment exam or have one of the following vehicle qualifications:
  - a. **Automotive Technician Accreditation**, ATA Light Vehicle, Diagnostic Technician (ATA card must be valid)
  - b. **National Craft Certificate** in the specialism of Vehicle Maintenance and Electronic Systems.
  - c. **City and Guilds**
    1. Automotive Qualification NVQ level 3
    2. Repair and Servicing of Road Vehicles, 383 - full level 2 or 3
    3. Motor Vehicle Craft Studies, Modular - part 3 (requires 3 modules)
    4. Motor Vehicle Craft Studies, 381 - full part 2 or 3
    5. Motor Vehicle Craft Studies (pre 381 syllabus) - full part 2
    6. Light or Heavy Vehicle Mechanics Craft Studies - full part 2 or 3
    7. Motor Vehicle Technician's Certificate - full part 1
  - d. **BTEC**, Motor Vehicle Engineering Studies, National Certificate or ONC.
  - e. **Scottish Vocational Educational Council** National Certificate in Vehicle Mechanics and Systems, part 3.
  - f. **VRQ, NVQ or SVQ**
    1. Vehicle Mechanical and Electronic Systems, Maintenance and Repair (LV) or (HV) level 3.

2. Vehicle Technician - Vehicle Maintenance and Repair (LV) or (HV) level 3.

**g. The Institute of Motor Industry (IMI)**, IMI Level National Diploma in Vehicle Maintenance and Repair (LV or HV) vrq (Level 3)

If you have qualifications not on the list but which you believe to be equivalent please send evidence of the qualification with your application to VOSA training Services.

## What next?

- Complete a VT78 application form and send it to:

Vehicle & Operator Services (VOSA),  
Training Services, Booking Section,  
Berkeley House, Croydon Street,  
Bristol, BS5 0DA  
**Tel: 0117 954 3434.**

- For classes 1 or 2 (motor bicycles), successfully complete the 2 day VOSA Nominated Tester Training (NTT MC) course and pass a practical test at your sponsor's vehicle testing station.
- For classes 3,4,5 or 7, attend and pass the 3 day VOSA Nominated Tester Training (NTT LV) course and pass a practical test at the sponsor's vehicle testing station.



## The NTT Assessment for classes 3, 4, 5 or 7

If you do not have one of the qualifications / accredit ations listed at 6, but you comply with 1,2,3,4 & 5, then you will automatically be put forward to sit the VOSA Nominated Tester Assessment exam (NTTA).

The exam is one and a half hours long and consist s of 60 multiple choice questions. The questions are entirely technical and cover vehicle items included in the MOT test i.e. brakes, steering, suspension, wheels & tyres, electrical systems, body and corrosion, exhaust emissions and general subjects.

This assessment will take place at your local VOSA Area Office.

For all general enquiries, ring the VOSA Contact Centre number on

**0300 123 9000.**

Alternatively, you can email us at the address below:

**[enquiries@vosa.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@vosa.gov.uk)**