



THE INSTITUTE OF THE  
MOTOR INDUSTRY

## **Certificated Automotive Engineer - CAE**

To qualify for the award of CAE, the applicant requires **one** of the following nationally recognised qualifications or an IMI Automotive Technician Accreditation (ATA). The applicant should also have **at least three years' relevant experience** and evidence of approved qualification/technical skills.

**Level 3 Vocational Competency Qualification (VCQ) / National Vocational Qualification (NVQ) / Vocationally Related Qualification (VRQ) or Scottish Vocational Qualification (SVQ) in one of the following;**

- Light Vehicle
- Heavy Vehicle
- Motorcycle
- Bus & Coach/Transport Engineering Maintenance
- Lift Truck
- Motorsport
- Accident Body Repair
- Accident Repair Paint
- Accident Repair MET
- Body Building
- Auto Electrical

**BTEC/SCOTVEC National Certificate or Diploma in the following;**

- Vehicle Technology
- Accident Repair
- Engineering (Automotive)

**Extended Diplomas in one of the following;**

- Light Vehicle
- Heavy Vehicle
- Motorcycle
- Motorsport
- Accident Body Repair
- Accident Repair Paint

**City & Guilds 381 Part II, 383 Part II, 385 Part II, 389 Part II or 398 Part II**

**National Joint Council – The National Craft Certificate**

### **Automotive Technician Accreditation (ATA) – Issued by the IMI**

**Valid accreditation in one of the following;**

- ATA Light Vehicle Diagnostic Technician
- ATA Motorcycle Diagnostic Technician
- ATA Senior MET Technician
- ATA Senior Panel Technician
- ATA Senior Paint Technician
- ATA Roadside Assistance Diagnostic Technician

## Advanced Automotive Engineer - AAE

To qualify for the award of AAE, the applicant requires **one** of the following nationally recognised qualifications or an IMI Automotive Technician Accreditation (ATA). The applicant should have either **held CAE for two years** or have at **least five years' relevant experience**.

**Level 4 Vocational Competency Qualification (VCQ) in Vehicle Maintenance & Repair**

**Level 4 National Vocational Qualification (NVQ) in Vehicle Maintenance & Repair**

**Level 4 Vocationally Related Qualification (VRQ) in Vehicle Maintenance & Repair**

**City & Guilds Full Technological Certificate (FTC) or Licentiate (LCGI)**

**BTEC/SCOTVEC Higher National Certificate (HNC) or Diploma (HND) in the following;**

- Vehicle Technology
- Accident Repair

*Only BTEC/SCOTVEC technically-based HNC/HND units will be accepted. (Some higher qualifications only have management units). For example, in Motor Vehicle that means Engine Faults Diagnosis, Chassis Faults Diagnosis, and Electrical & Electronic Faults Diagnosis. For Motor Body the units are typically Electrical and Electronic Faults Diagnosis, Body Fault Finding, and Paint Fault Finding.*

### **IMI – Automotive Technician Accreditation (ATA) – Issued by the IMI**

Valid accreditation in one of the following;

- ATA Light Vehicle Master Technician
- ATA Motorcycle Master Technician
- ATA Roadside Assistance Master Technician