Identify and agree the motor vehicle customer needs



Overview This standard is about gaining information from customers on their perceived needs, giving advice and information and agreeing a course of action, contracting for the agreed work and completing all necessary records and instructions.



Performance criteria		
You must be able to	P1	obtain the relevant information from the customer to make an assessment of
		their own and perceived vehicle needs
	P2	provide customers with accurate, current and relevant advice and information
		on suitable vehicle inspection, repair and/or service procedures, potential
		courses of action, the implications of courses of action and the estimated costs
	P3	provide advice and information clearly and in a form and manner which the
		customer will understand
	P4	actively encourage customers to ask questions and seek clarification during
		your conversation.
	P5	support the accurate identification and clarification of customer and vehicle
		needs, by referring to vehicle data and operating procedures
	P6	agree with the customer before accepting the vehicle and record the extent and
		nature of the work to be undertaken, the terms and conditions of acceptance,
		the cost and the timescale
	P7	confirm your customer's understanding of the agreement you have made
	P8	ensure your recording systems are complete, accurate, in the format required
		and signed by the customer where necessary
	P9	pass all completed records to the next person in the process promptly
	P10	gain further customer approval where the contracted agreement is likely to be
		exceeded



Knowledge and understanding		
You need to know		
and understand:	K1	the relevant legal requirements of consumer legislation and the consequences of your own actions in respect of these
	K2	the different types of company and product warranties that you deal with within your organisation
	K3	the limits of your own responsibility for accepting and returning vehicles
	K4	the importance of keeping customers informed and managing their expectations
	K5	your workplace requirements for the completion of records and documentation
	K6	how to communicate effectively with, and listen to, customers
	K7	how to adapt your language when explaining technical matters to non-technical customers
	K8	how to extract the relevant information to identify and agree the motor vehicle customer needs
	K9	how to care for customers and achieve customer satisfaction
	K10	the range of options available to meet customer needs
	K11	the range and type of services offered by your organisation
	K12	the effect of non-availability of resource upon the receipt of customer vehicles and for the completion of the work
	K13	where and how to access costing and work completion time information



Scope/range	1.	Motor vehicle could include:
		1.1. light vehicles
		1.2. heavy vehicles/commercial vehicles
		1.3. motorcycles
		1.4. lift trucks
		1.5. heavy vehicle trailers
		1.6. caravan and motorhomes



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occupations	Enhancement Technician (Automotive); Auto-electrical Technician
	(Automotive); Auto and Mobile Installation Technicians; Automotive
	Paint Supervisor; Automotive Paint Technician; Body Builder
	(Automotive); Body Builder Workshop Controller (Automotive); Body
	Repair and Alignment Technician (Automotive); Body Repair
	Technician (Automotive); Caravan and Motorhome Diagnostic
	Technician (Automotive); Caravan and Motorhome Service
	Technician (Automotive); Caravans and Motorhomes Diagnostic
	Technician (Automotive); Caravans and Motorhomes Service
	Technician (Automotive); Cosmetic Refinishing Technician
	(Automotive); Cosmetic Senior Refinishing Technician (Automotive);
	Heavy Vehicle Diagnostic Technician (Automotive); Heavy Vehicle
	Fleet/Service Manager (Automotive); Heavy Vehicle Master
	Technician (Automotive); Heavy Vehicle Service Technician
	(Automotive); Heavy Vehicle Trailer Diagnostic Technician

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(Automotive); Heavy Vehicle Trailer Fleet/Service Manager (Automotive); Heavy Vehicle Trailer Master Technician (Automotive); Heavy Vehicle Trailer Service Technician (Automotive); Lift Truck Service Technician (Automotive); Lift Truck Trailer Diagnostic Technician (Automotive); Lift Truck Trailer Master Technician (Automotive); Lift Truck Workshop Controller; Light Vehicle Diagnostic Technician (Automotive); Light Vehicle Fleet/Service Manager (Automotive); Light Vehicle Master Technician (Automotive); Light Vehicle Service Technician (Automotive); Maintenance and Repair Technicians; Maintenance Team Technician; Maintenance Fitter; Mechanical Fitter; Mechanical Maintenance Technician; Mechanical Supervisor; Mechanical, Electrical and Trim Assistant Technician (Automotive); Mechanical, Electrical and Trim Technician (Automotive); Motor Repair and Rewind Electrician; Motor Vehicle Valeting (Automotive); Motorcycle Diagnostic Technician; Motorcycle Fleet/Service Manager (Automotive); Motorcycle Master Technician (Automotive); Motorcycle Service Technician; Motorsport Technician; PDR Senior Technician (Automotive); PDR Technician(Automotive); Rental and Leasing Customer Service Advisor (Automotive); Rental and Leasing Maintenance Advisors (Automotive): Rental and Leasing Technical Service Advisor (Automotive); Roadside Assistance Manager; Roadside Assistance Operator; Roadside Assistance Operators; Roadside Assistance Senior Operator; Roadside Assistance Senior Technician; Roadside Assistance Technician; Sales Executive (Automotive); Sales Controller (Automotive); Tyre Fitting Operations (Automotive); Tyre exhaust and windscreen fitters ; Vehicle Damage Assessment Operators; Vehicle Damage Assessor (Automotive); Vehicle Fitters; Vehicle Fitting Operations (Automotive); Vehicle Parts Operative; Vehicle Parts Operators; Vehicle Parts Supervisor; Vehicle Recovery Operator; Vehicle Recovery Operators; Vehicle Recovery Technical Operator; Vehicle Sales Operators; Vehicle Trades; Vehicle Valeter (Automotive)



Suite	Accident Repair - Body; Accident Repair - Joining; Accident Repair -
	Paint; Accident Repair - SMART - Cosmetic; Accident Repair -
	SMART - PDR; Accident Repair - Mechanical, Electrical and Trim;
	Body Building; Maintenance and Repair - Caravans and
	Motorhomes; Maintenance and Repair – Heavy Vehicle;
	Maintenance and Repair - Heavy Vehicle Trailer; Maintenance and
	Repair - Lift Truck; Maintenance and Repair - Light Vehicle;
	Maintenance and Repair - Motorcycle; Auto Electrical and Mobile
	Electrical Installation; Roadside Assistance; Vehicle Damage
	Assessment Operations; Vehicle Fitting; Vehicle Parts Operations;
	Vehicle Recovery; Vehicle Sales v3
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