



irtec

**Accreditation for
road transport
technicians**

The industry-recognised benchmark
of competence

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What is irtec?

irtec is an independent accreditation which assesses the competence of technicians working to maintain the commercial vehicle, trailer and passenger carrying industries. irtec assesses both the knowledge and skills of the individual and is valid for 5 years.

A voluntary scheme, developed by the Institute of Road Transport Engineers (IRTE) to raise standards and encourage industry self-regulation in road transport maintenance, irtec is recognised as the industry benchmark of skills and knowledge.

irtec is managed for the IRTE by the Institute of the Motor Industry (IMI), and delivered by accredited centres across the UK and beyond, ensuring independent assurance of technicians. As an indicator of best-practice and competence, irtec is an ideal scheme for not only individuals to professionally develop their skills, but for employers to demonstrate their commitment to technical excellence.

“The RHA Board has been keen to identify a standard that can assist members in choosing a provider and the irtec standard does just that.”

Ray Engley, Head of Technical Services, Road Haulage Association

What are the benefits of irtec?

Employers

- Boost customer confidence in vehicle safety
- Gain a competitive advantage
- Identify training needs

Technicians

- Demonstrate commitment to professional development
- Prove current competence
- Recognition of knowledge & expertise

Technicians who successfully pass their assessment hold their licence for 5 years, allowing current knowledge to be assessed with each renewal. They will also be placed on the irtec register, a directory of qualified individuals and where they work. Technicians also receive a Halfords trade card, allowing discounts on a range of products and services.

What does irtec assess competence in?

irtec is available at a range of levels, for a variety of skillsets:



Large Commercial Vehicle (7.5+ tonnes)

- Service Maintenance Technician
- Inspection Technician
- Advanced Technician
- Master Technician



Bus and Coach

- Service Maintenance Technician
- Inspection Technician
- Advanced Technician
- Master Technician



Light Commercial Vehicle (3.5-7.5 tonnes)

- Inspection Technician



Heavy Vehicle Trailer

- Service Maintenance Technician
- Inspection Technician



irtec Tyre

- Commercial Tyre Technician (tubeless)
- Off-site Commercial Tyre Technician (tubeless)

How do I get accredited?

If you or your staff are looking to join the 7000 individuals who currently hold an irtec licence, the process for arranging an assessment is easy:

- Find a full list of accrediting centres online at irtec.org.uk
- Contact the centre convenient for you which offers the assessment you require
- They will give you detailed information, costs and arrange your assessment

Find out more
and get assessed:

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“Accreditation through the irtec scheme will not only enhance the reputation of the commercial vehicle industry and give aspiring technicians a recognised career path, but will also actively improve standards of vehicle maintenance and consequently road safety.”

Beverley Bell, Senior Traffic Commissioner for Great Britain

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