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Starting with ASE Student Certification (valid for two years), those graduating from automotive Career and Technical Education will go to employers with a basic set of credentials to show the knowledge they have achieved. From there, it’s a continuous process from the Auto Maintenance and Light Repair (G1), requiring one year of work experience, to the familiar Journeyman-level regular ASE certification, which requires two years of experience. The top category is our advanced-level certification in gasoline engine, diesel engine and light hybrid-electric vehicle certification, all of which require three years of work experience to qualify. It’s a career track that allows automotive professionals to demonstrate their growing skills and knowledge all along the way.
For all automotive professionals and the businesses that employ them, ASE Certification is a hallmark of top performance. Studies show that consumers look for professional credentials when seeking quality auto service and repair.

For Technicians: ASE Certification provides an independent confirmation of your technical knowledge. Many employers look for ASE certification when hiring and often base pay plans and bonuses on the number of ASE certifications achieved.

For Employers: Research shows ASE-certified professionals are more productive, have a greater first-fix accuracy and fewer comebacks than their non-certified peers. Consumers associate ASE certification with trust and competence.

**ASE Testing is Better than Ever!**

- Instant test results
- Year-round testing available
- Secure, professional test centers
- Wide variety of scheduling choices

Make sure you read the What to Expect page at www.ase.com/whatexpect to get important information on security, arrival times, what to bring with you, testing time limits and more.

**Registration and Scheduling**

The first step in achieving ASE certification is registering and scheduling your tests. This involves 3 simple steps:

- **Ready!** Log into your personal myASE account at www.myASE.com. If you have taken a test with ASE before, your account has already been set up. If you are taking your first tests, click the Create myASE Account link to get started.

- **Set!** Once you are logged in, click the Register Now button on the left. Select and register for the tests you want to take.

- **GO!** Schedule appointments to take your tests.

**Registration is Quick & Easy**

Upon registering for one or more ASE certification tests, you have 90 days from that date to take the tests. Testing is available 12 months a year. Once registered, you can schedule your test(s) based on availability at the closest test center. If you prefer, you can both register and schedule via telephone by calling ASE’s testing partner, Prometric, at 1-877-346-9327, Monday-Friday, 8 am – 8 pm Eastern.
The ASE Certification Test Series

Important: Note that each test listed below will have additional questions that are included for statistical research purposes only. Your answers to these questions will not affect your score, but since you will not know which ones they are, you should answer all questions in the test.

Recertification tests are about one-half the length of the regular tests (except Advanced Level Tests).

Complete test specifications, task lists and sample questions can be found in the Official ASE Study Guides at www.ase.com/testprep. There is no charge to view, download, or print them. To get free printed copies by mail, call ASE at 800-390-6789.

Automobile Tests
A1 Engine Repair
A2 Automatic Transmission/Transaxle
A3 Manual Drive Train and Axles
A4 Suspension and Steering
A5 Brakes
A6 Electrical/Electronic Systems
A7 Heating and Air Conditioning
A8 Engine Performance
A9 Light Vehicle Diesel Engines

• These tests cover automobiles, SUVs, and up to Class 3 trucks.
• When you are certified in tests A1 through A8, you earn Master Automobile Technician status.
• Test A9 is not required for Master status.
• If you are currently certified in A8, you are eligible to take the L1 certification test.
• If you are currently certified in A4 and A5, you are eligible to take the X1 certification test.
• If you are currently certified in Diesel Engines (A9, H2, S2, or T2) and Electrical/Electronic Systems (A6, H6, S6, or T6), you are eligible to take the Light Vehicle Diesel Engines certification test.

Collision Repair and Refinish Tests
B2 Painting and Refinishing
B3 Non-Structural Analysis and Damage Repair
B4 Structural Analysis and Damage Repair
B5 Mechanical and Electrical Components
B6 Damage Analysis and Estimating

• When you are certified in tests B2 through B5, you earn Master Collision Repair/Refinish Technician status.
• Collision Damage Estimator certification requires two years experience as an estimator. Experience as a repair technician does not qualify.

Alternate Fuels Test
F1 Compressed Natural Gas Vehicle

Medium/Heavy Truck Tests
T1 Gasoline Engines
T2 Diesel Engines
T3 Drive Train
T4 Brakes
T5 Suspension and Steering
T6 Electrical/Electronic Systems
T7 Heating, Ventilation, and A/C
T8 Preventive Maintenance and Inspection (PMI)

• These tests cover Class 4 (14,000 lbs. GVW) through Class 8 (33,000 lbs. and above GVW) trucks. When you are certified in tests T2 through T7, you earn Master Medium/Heavy Truck Technician status.
• You may earn ASE’s Master Medium/Heavy Vehicle Technician designation by being certified in any combination of tests 2 through 7 from ASE’s Medium/Heavy Truck, School Bus, or Transit Bus series if you are not already a Master Technician in one of these test series.
• If you are currently certified in Diesel Engines (A9, H2, S2, or T2) and Electrical/Electronic Systems (A6, H6, S6, or T6), you are eligible to take the L2 certification test.

Truck Equipment Tests
E1 Truck Equipment Installation and Repair
E2 Electrical/Electronic Systems Installation and Repair
E3 Auxiliary Power Systems Installation and Repair

• When you are certified in tests E1 through E3, you earn Master Truck Equipment Technician status.

Specialty Test
X1 Exhaust Systems

• You must be currently certified in both A4 and A5 to register for test X1 (regular or recertification).

Advanced Level Tests
L1 Auto Advanced Engine Performance Specialist
L2 Electronic Diesel Engine Diagnosis Specialist
L3 Light Duty Hybrid/Electric Vehicle Specialist

• You must be currently certified in A6 to register for the L1 certification test.
• You must be currently certified in Diesel Engines (A9, H2, S2, or T2) and Electrical/Electronic Systems (A6, H6, S6, or T6) to register for the L2 certification test.
• You must be currently certified in A6 and A8 to register for the L3 certification test.

School Bus Tests
S1 Body Systems and Special Equipment
S2 Diesel Engines
S3 Drive Train
S4 Brakes
S5 Suspension and Steering
S6 Electrical/Electronic Systems
S7 Air Conditioning Systems and Controls

• When you are certified in tests S1 through S6, you earn Master School Bus Technician status.
• If you are currently certified in Diesel Engines (A9, H2, S2, or T2) and Electrical/Electronic Systems (A6, H6, S6, or T6), you are eligible to take the L2 certification test.
• You may earn ASE’s Master Medium/Heavy Vehicle Technician designation by being certified in any combination of tests 2 through 7 from ASE’s Medium/Heavy Truck, School Bus, or Transit Bus series if you are not already a Master Technician in one of these test series.

Parts Specialist Tests
P1 Medium/Heavy Truck Parts Specialist
P2 Automobile Parts Specialist

• Parts Specialist certification requires two years experience as a parts counterperson. Experience as a repair technician does not qualify.

Transit Bus Tests
H1 Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Engines
H2 Diesel Engines
H3 Drive Train
H4 Brakes
H5 Suspension and Steering
H6 Electrical/Electronic Systems
H7 Heating, Ventilation, and A/C
H8 Preventive Maintenance and Inspection (PMI)

• When you are certified in tests H1 or H2, plus tests H3 through H8, you earn Master Transit Technician status.
• If you are currently certified in Diesel Engines (A9, H2, S2, or T2) and Electrical/Electronic Systems (A6, H6, S6, or T6), you are eligible to take the L2 certification test.
• You may earn ASE’s Master Medium/Heavy Vehicle Technician designation by being certified in any combination of tests 2 through 7 from ASE’s Medium/Heavy Truck, School Bus, or Transit Bus series if you are not already a Master Technician in one of these test series.

Service Consultant Test
C1 Automobile Service Consultant

• Service Consultant certification requires two years experience as a service advisor. Experience as a repair technician does not qualify.

General Service Test
G1 Auto Maintenance and Light Repair

• Test G1 requires one year of repair experience.
ASE Work Experience Requirements

To become ASE certified, you must pass an ASE test and have relevant hands-on working experience.

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<td>Hands-on experience maintaining, servicing, and/or repairing motor vehicles. Maintenance and light repair may account for up to one year of the requirement.</td>
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<td>Repair Tech - 2 years</td>
<td>A1-A9, B2-B5, E1-E3, F1, H1-H8, S1-S7, T1-T8, and X1</td>
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<td>Service Consultant - 2 years</td>
<td>C1</td>
<td>Hands-on experience as an automotive service writer/consultant or service manager.</td>
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<td>Parts Specialist - 2 years</td>
<td>P1 and P2</td>
<td>Hands-on experience as a parts counterperson or managing a wholesale, retail, or in-house parts store/department.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Collision Damage Estimator - 2 years</td>
<td>B6</td>
<td>Hands-on experience as an automotive collision damage estimator/adjuster.</td>
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**Education Substitution**

High school, trade school, or community college training can be substituted for up to one-half of the time requirement. One month of work experience will be credited for every two months of full-time training.

**OEM-Sponsored Co-op or Apprenticeship**

Satisfactory completion completely fulfills the 1 or 2 year work requirement. It fulfills 2 years of the 3 year work requirement.

Additional information about ASE’s work experience requirements and programs that provide credit toward the requirements can be found at [www.ase.com/expform](http://www.ase.com/expform).

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### Other ASE Resources

**Introduction to Automobile Service E-Learning Program**

ASE’s e-learning program, “Introduction to Automobile Service” (IAS), is delivered exclusively online and offers four e-learning training modules and a separate quiz. The program focuses on awareness of entry-level tasks related to basic automobile service. An embedded glossary and safety zone section also help to promote proper safety measures. The IAS program was developed for individuals whose responsibilities are concentrated in the entry-level career areas. The program incorporates modules to both deliver and measure the knowledge necessary to perform basic tasks. Service professionals, including service writers and parts professionals, can also potentially benefit from the program content. For those new to our industry, the IAS program can be the first step on the path to ASE’s certification program.

[www.asecampus.com](http://www.asecampus.com)

**Refrigerant Recycling and Recovery Certification (EPA Section 609)**

The ASE Refrigerant Recovery and Recycling Review and Quiz is an EPA-approved program that meets Section 609 regulations from the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990. This program is intended only for technicians servicing motor vehicle air conditioning. Certification earned as a result of a passing score on the online quiz is only deemed as certification in the context of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). This credential is not the equivalent of technical certification from the main ASE testing and certification program.

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**Official ASE Practice Tests**

The Official ASE Practice Tests are delivered exclusively online to help technicians prepare for their next ASE certification exam by trying out questions of similar content and format to those used on the real ASE tests. Practice tests are available for ASE Automobile Tests A1 – A8 and ASE Auto Parts Test P2. The tests allow automotive professionals to experience an ASE-style test without the stress and high stakes of the real thing. The practice tests are half the length of the regular ASE tests and provide feedback in the form of a performance report with explanations for both correct and incorrect answers.

[www.ase.com/testprep](http://www.ase.com/testprep)

**ASE Student Certification**

The ASE Student Certification program is designed to evaluate and certify students who are near the end of their studies in the areas of Automobile Service, Collision Repair & Refinishing, and M/H Truck. The National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) developed the exams in partnership with Automotive Youth Educational Systems (AYES), National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation (NATEF), and SkillsUSA. The testing program’s independent assessment provides students, instructors and administrators with a national, portable, stackable credential which provides measurable outcomes and accountability. ASE Student Certification is the first step in building a career as a service professional.

[www.asestudentcertification.com](http://www.asestudentcertification.com)