

## Vehicle Technician

### Job Description

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The Tank Museum was founded in 1923 as a teaching resource for engineers and soldiers of the Tank Corps. Over the last 96 years, the Museum has dramatically transformed from a training aid for the army to a 21<sup>st</sup> century Museum aspiring towards access and excellence for all.

Based at Bovington Camp, the home of the tank, the Museum boasts the most comprehensive collection of armoured fighting vehicles in the world, originating from the Royal Armoured Corps, British Allies, and armies fighting against British forces. In addition, the Museum has a very strong supporting collection of medals, photographs, film, sound recordings, fine art, books, weapons, models and memorabilia. Current displays tell the story of the tank in the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> century, from its inception in 1915 to the war in Afghanistan. The entire collection has Designated Status.

The Vehicle Technician role is a key post in the workshop, supporting the Workshop Team Leaders and Workshop Manager in the operation of the workshop facility and care of the collection, ensuring that The Tank Museum establishes itself as a centre of excellence in the maintenance, repair and restoration of historic armoured vehicles.

The successful candidate will be responsible for carrying out regular inspections on tracked vehicles, carrying out fault diagnosis, service and repairs to required standards to ensure safe operation of the vehicles for the Museum's events and activities. This work will include completing paperwork such as job card write ups, service report sheets and using the Museum's in-house recording systems.

The successful candidate will have the ability to work in a busy working environment and to actively seek solutions to problems.

The Vehicle Technician is expected to drive vehicles at events and activities organised by The Tank Museum, for which tracked vehicle driver training will be provided.

## ROLE PROFILE

<b>Job Title</b>	<b>Vehicle Technician</b>
<b>Contract</b>	Full Time/Permanent
<b>Reports To</b>	Workshop Team Leader, Workshop Manager
<b>Key Relationships</b>	Workshop Team Leaders, Workshop Manager, Vehicle Technicians, Apprentices and Volunteers.
<b>Overall Job Purpose</b>	Maintenance, repair and restoration of armoured vehicles in the Museum's collection. Ensuring running vehicles are maintained, repaired and overhauled to a high standard for safe operation.
<b>Key Accountabilities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Test vehicles and diagnose faults.</li> <li>• Recognise and report vehicle/component defects or symptoms of impending failure.</li> <li>• Service, adjust and repair vehicles/components.</li> <li>• Overhaul vehicle systems and complete vehicles to ensure safe sustainable vehicle operation.</li> <li>• Identify parts that need to be ordered.</li> <li>• Carry out work to the required standard and specification as detailed on the job card in accordance with the museums policies, current regulations and technical publications.</li> <li>• Maintain the requirements of COSHH, Health &amp; Safety and other statutory regulations. Ensure a good standard of housekeeping, cleanliness and safety in the work area is maintained at all times.</li> <li>• Ensure personal tools and workshop equipment is maintained in good serviceable order and report any faults to the department Team Leader.</li> <li>• Inform the department team leader of any issues which directly affect the repair process and any emerging work.</li> <li>• Operate vehicles for events and activities, including Rides Vehicles and represent The Tank Museum at external events.</li> <li>• Provide mentoring and training to workshop apprentices and volunteers.</li> </ul> <p><b>The post holder may on occasion undertake other duties. This will not substantially change the nature of the role.</b></p>

# Person Specification

	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NVQ level 3 Motor vehicle or equivalent. Level 3 qualification in Light/Heavy Vehicle Repair or similar is essential.</li> <li>• A full valid UK driving license.</li> <li>• Health &amp; Safety qualifications relevant to a workshop operation.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forklift, LGV and tracked vehicle driving licence.</li> <li>• IOSH qualification.</li> </ul>
Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must have at least 3 years of experience in repairing and maintaining tracked/commercial vehicles and vehicle systems. Suitable candidates from a light vehicle background will also be considered</li> <li>• Good understanding of and an interest in the operation and maintenance of historic vehicles.</li> <li>• Using equipment and machinery in a workshop environment.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experience in working on tracked vehicles.</li> <li>• Experience of the museum and heritage sector.</li> <li>• Experience of working with volunteers and apprentices.</li> </ul>
Knowledge & Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Good organisation and time management.</li> <li>• Good IT skills.</li> <li>• Full understanding of complex vehicle systems.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Knowledge of military vehicle operation by the MoD.</li> </ul>
Personal aptitude & skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Good communicator, ability to be flexible and approachable.</li> <li>• Ability to work un-supervised, and use own initiative.</li> <li>• Team player, problem solver.</li> <li>• A can do approach and professional work ethic.</li> <li>• Ability to work well in a busy work environment.</li> <li>• Literacy and numeracy skills</li> <li>• Attention to detail</li> <li>• Willingness to work after hours and weekends.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interest in the history of tanks and armoured warfare.</li> </ul>

Disposition	Committed, Enthusiastic, Creative	