

Paint sprayer

Paint sprayers apply coatings and protective finishes to cars, vans, motorbikes and other vehicles.

Average salary (a year)



£19,000

£30,000

Starter

Experienced

Typical hours (a week)



40 to 48
a week

You could work



weekends
on shifts

Different routes to get this job

(check the website for entry requirements)

- a college course
- an apprenticeship
- applying directly

Day-to-day tasks

As a paint sprayer, you'll:

- set up painting equipment, sand down and prepare the outside of the vehicle
- match and mix colours and shades
- apply primer coats, main coats and finishes
- use paint drying methods and carry out quality checks
- clean and maintain spraying equipment and paint booths
- follow health and safety guidelines

Skills and knowledge

You'll need:

- to be thorough and pay attention to detail
- the ability to work well with others
- the ability to use, repair and maintain machines and tool
- the ability to use your initiative
- persistence and determination
- customer service skills
- excellent verbal communication skills
- the ability to work well with your hands
- to be able to carry out basic tasks on a computer or hand-held device

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