



CAPABILITY STATEMENT

KANGAN BATMAN TAFE - AUTOMOTIVE CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE

Kangan Batman TAFE's Automotive Centre of Excellence has been recognised by the Institute for Trade Skills Excellence as one of Australia's premier providers, and awarded three gold stars under the Institute's Star Rating Scheme. Based in Victoria's Docklands precinct, the Automotive Centre of Excellence delivers apprenticeships and traineeships in the Automotive Vehicle Panel, Paint Repair and Manufacturing (Bus, Truck & Trailer) occupations based on the nationally endorsed standards of the both the AUR05 Automotive Industry Retail, Service and Repair Training Package and the AUM Automotive Manufacturing (Bus, Truck and Trailer) Training Package.

A summary of the Automotive Centre of Excellence's strengths against the evaluation criteria are:

Training and assessment which focuses on enterprise and learner needs

Training staff meet with employers on-site to determine specific needs of the business and prioritise selected units. Training plans are created in consultation with employers and apprentices. Employers have the option of training being delivered on-site or by monthly block release. Strong links with industry are maintained to ensure training incorporates emerging trends within the paint and panel sectors. Industry involvement has resulted in the introduction of a number of short courses dealing with new technologies within the automotive body repair industry.

Apprentices and trainees' progress is reviewed by the teaching staff at the completion of each training block. Progress reports are mailed to employers and learners after each delivery period. Meetings with employers provide the opportunity to modify training programs to ensure effectiveness, appropriateness and relevance.

Excellent trainers and assessors, and contemporary equipment

Teaching staff are industry qualified and receive ongoing professional development. They are also actively involved in trade forums as key note speakers at industry seminars. The Centre has received numerous awards for its environmentally friendly designed complex that includes state-of-the-art facilities, equipment and resources. Strong links with equipment suppliers is maintained as a way of continually sourcing state-of-the-art equipment and products both local and overseas.

Support to enable enterprises and learners get the most out of the apprenticeship/ traineeship

A range of support services are available to students to support their learning and personal development including student counselling; disability support services; career advice; learning, literacy and numeracy support and study support.

For more information about Kangan Batman TAFE's Automotive Centre of Excellence **visit the RTO's website at www.aceauto.com.au** or call 13 4 ACE.

The **Institute for Trade Skills Excellence** is an initiative of Australian industry and Government established to promote the trades and recognise those registered training organisations (RTOs) truly focused on industry's needs and achieving excellent results.

How does it work? ... Under the **Star Rating Scheme**, individual faculties or schools within RTOs are evaluated by the Institute using industry experts and industry designed criteria. Those considered excellent are awarded one gold star, two gold stars or three gold stars by the Institute. The Institute issues a **Capability Statement** for each RTO which it publishes to explain the school or faculty's strengths and the level of service an employer can expect to receive.

Quite simply, where RTOs are doing great things, the Institute wants to ensure industry knows about it, and so an employer looking to select an RTO for their apprentice or trainee, can make an informed choice.