Employees in the Automotive (Light Vehicle - Mechanical) trade service repair and diagnose faults in motor vehicles weighing up to 4.5 tonnes. They diagnose, service and repair faults in light vehicle engines, transmissions, suspensions, steering and brakes. They service and repair the mechanical parts of motor vehicles such as the clutch, gear box and differential and springs, steering, brakes, wheels and tyres. They discuss problems with vehicle drivers to discover faults and carry out their own diagnosis procedures.

They may also perform other tasks such as:
- repair and service cooling systems, fuel systems, air conditioning, emission control systems and suspension systems
- repair ignition, electronic engine management and electrical systems

If you are seeking recognition in the Automotive (Light Vehicle - Mechanical) trade, you must provide evidence demonstrating the nature and duration of your employment, such as:
- log books or job cards illustrating the nature of trade work you have performed
- work-related references from employers and qualified supervisors outlining the duration of employment and detailing the nature of work you have performed, procedures applied and tools and equipment used which are consistent with the Automotive (Light Vehicle - Mechanical) trade. References must be signed, dated and on your employer’s letterhead.
- formal training records, evidence of relevant training completed to date
- any other evidence that demonstrates that you are competent or trained to work as a Light Vehicle Mechanic.