

Hourly Rate.

Average Hourly Rate for Employees. Excluding overtime pay (which bumps median pay up to **\$14.83**), people who work for Meineke earn a median wage of **\$9.62** per hour.

Lube Technician Job Description

- On average, lube technicians make around \$10-\$14 per hour
- To get promoted you'll need special certification
- Lots of lube technicians start out as customer service associates

For some people "grease monkey" is less of an insult and more of a badge of honor. If you're worried about having a little dirt under your finger nails, this certainly isn't the job for you. Working as a [lube technician](#) is a dirty job, but a great way to get into the [automotive](#) industry.

Lube technicians are responsible for vehicle maintenance and light care like oil changes and tire rotations.

Lube technician jobs require careful attention to detail and the ability to easily adapt to new technologies. Lube techs usually need to stand for entire shifts and lift boxes in excess of 50 pounds. Being physically capable of doing the job is a necessity.

Education requirements

Most employers will prefer a high school education or GED and some amount of formal training to get started as a lube technician. Many lube techs without formal experience get started as a customer service associates and, if they have an interest in getting their hands dirty, gradually cross train for their desired positions. Those with formal training or certification from a vocational or technical program can often skip this step.

Career paths for lube technicians

Most promotions will come through the completion of certification. Although most lube technicians are not required to be Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) certified, it is gradually becoming the standard for most automotive service technicians. ASE certification covers eight different automotive service areas including engine repair, heating and air-conditioning, and electrical systems. The highest level of certification is Master Automobile Technician, and you'll have to pass all eight areas to get it. By becoming certified you'll make yourself more attractive to potential employers and open up promotion opportunities for yourself.

The future of lube technicians

The BLS (Bureau of Labor Statistics) expects an increase in lube technician positions over the 2010-2020 decade. While the overall growth for mechanic jobs will be slow, there will be an increased demand for entry-level workers who are able to perform basic services like oil changes and routine maintenance on cars.