

# Some Essential MOT Cases that Motorists Need to Know



You must be well aware of how important it is to take part in the MOT test. That is why, we thought to tell you about the cases related to it so that whenever you experience it, you can easily work on the solution. We explain here the appeals process for questionable results, missed appointments, and re-test fees based on multiple situations.

## **Case 1– If I do not attend the pre-scheduled appointment, can my vehicle still be inspected?**

There are situations when we book an appointment for a **MOT Test in Reading** for our vehicle but are unable to visit there on time. Then we wonder if we will get our fees back or not. Irrespective of the centre, everyone is disappointed in this case as they will suffer a loss because your vehicle's testing is scheduled at that particular time. However, some centres offer some other options in return so that you do not suffer any loss. Read the points below to know what these are:

- Many centres have rules that they agree to carry out your vehicle inspection at other times at the same fee. This is possible only if any other vehicle does not reach on time for its scheduled appointment as they would not want to compromise their profits.
- If you think you won't be able to attend a scheduled appointment because of some urgent work taking priority, you should inform the MOT station. We are saying this because they make it unreserved so that other motorists can book for it. This way, the MOT officer can shift your car inspection program to another time if possible.
- Some MOT stations mention that they will not refund the fee paid under any circumstances, so plan your booking appointment carefully.

After understanding these points, you must have understood that your vehicle will be tested at the same fee is considered a rare case. So, make sure to read the terms and conditions of their centre and if you have even the slightest doubt about whether you will be able to reach them at any particular time or not, then it would be a wise decision not to book for it.

### **Case 2— What If I Do Not Agree with the MOT Result**

These cases are rarely raised, although the DVSA has put in place rules that motorists can raise a question if they think a given result is incorrect, whether it is a fail or a pass.

The DVSA will accept an appeal if it relates to an item that falls into the category of mechanical components but note that this must be done within 28 days of the date of the test.

In contrast, if the objection is regarding corrosion of any part except the exhaust system, brake lines or brake discs, you are given 3 months to appeal from the date of inspection.

You need to know that if you appeal by following the rules then DVSA will definitely accept it and in a few days they will share the details of your vehicle re-inspection via mail. For this, you will have to pay the same amount as you have to pay for attending the original MOT test.

This amount is fully refundable if the result is in your appeal's favour.

### **Case 3– What Amount of Fee do I Have to Pay for Re-Testing?**

First of all, we would like to tell you that retesting your vehicle is only possible if you send it to the centre within 10 days of the test. If for any reason it is missed then you will have to make full payment and get your vehicle to undergo the original **MOT Test in Reading**. DVSA believes that over time a faulty part causes problems in other parts as well.

It is not possible to answer this question only from online statements as it depends on the following aspects:

If for some reason you fail to pass the original test and get it diagnosed at the same MOT station you will only have to pay part of the original test fee. This relaxation will only be applied if you attend the re-test within ten working days of the first test.

If you go to another servicing centre to get all the problems rectified and then go back to the previous MOT station for a re-test, that too after 10 days, you will have to pay the same fee as the original test. This will be considered a risk of opportunity and will be put at risk.

If you send your MOT failure vehicle to another servicing centre for repair or diagnosis of the following parts (any or all of them), and then return there for a retest on the next day of the test, you will not have to pay any fee for this.

- Bonnet Horn
- Sharp Edges
- Brake Pedal
- Tailboard
- Tailgate
- Door Rear Reflector

- Drop Slides
- Dashboard Warning Lights
- Tyres and Wheels
- Washers and Wipers
- Fuel Filler Cap
- Rear Reflector
- Loading Door
- Steering Wheel
- Lamps
- Bonnet Horn
- Boot Lid
- Mirrors
- Windscreen
- Vehicle Identification Number
- Direction Indicators
- Seats
- Glasses
- Seat Belts
- Registration Plate