

**1. TITLE OF THE CERTIFICATE (DE) <sup>(1)</sup>**

**Lehrabschlussprüfungszeugnis Straßenerhaltungsfachkraft**

<sup>(1)</sup> in original language

**2. TRANSLATED TITLE OF THE CERTIFICATE (EN) <sup>(2)</sup>**

**Certificate of Apprenticeship “Road Maintenance Specialist” (f/m)**

<sup>(2)</sup> This translation has no legal status.

**3. PROFILE OF SKILLS AND COMPETENCES**
**Specialist areas of competence:**

1. Based on the statutory duties of the road maintenance service and the relevant professional regulations and guidelines for road engineering and transport systems (e.g. guidelines and regulations for road engineering, RVS) and for civil engineering and road construction, the specialist helps to increase road safety. To this end, he/she monitors the condition and functionality of roads, car parks, cycle paths and footpaths, road markings, bridges, engineering structures, trees, shrubs, traffic facilities, wildlife protection facilities and winter maintenance facilities as part of the road inspection service, documents the results in analogue or digital form and initiates measures as required.

2. Road maintenance requires general construction work such as repairing small surfaces, cracks and joints, as well as subsidence in the road surface, repairing damage to verges and drainage facilities, cleaning the road surface and drainage systems, and other wood and metal work. He/she is involved in checking newly applied road markings. As part of road construction, the specialist also carries out more specialised construction work such as building pits and trenches, laying foundations, constructing concrete and reinforced concrete components, superstructures and substructures, drainage systems, sewer systems and pipe systems. Furthermore, he/she lays paving, builds masonry and sets natural and artificial stones on loose gravel and in concrete. To ensure that the specialist can carry out all these tasks safely, he/she sets up construction sites, secures them and implements other safety measures when working on the roads. In addition, he/she installs traffic signs, guidance and safety devices, as well as wildlife and amphibian protection devices, maintains them and also dismantles them.

3. As part of winter road maintenance, the specialist works with analogue or digital tools to collect and evaluate weather information and initiate the necessary steps. The necessary measures include setting up winter road maintenance facilities, maintaining and dismantling them, assisting in the production of gritting materials of various compositions, taking into account ecological and economic considerations, loading gritting vehicles, clearing snow with snow ploughs and applying gritting materials with gritting vehicles.

4. The specialist greens areas in close proximity to transport routes by preparing planting areas, planting trees and shrubs, creating lawn bases and green spaces, and constructing living structures to secure slopes, and ensures the maintenance and protection of the plants.

5. The specialist uses appropriate analogue and digital measuring equipment to measure various quantities and performs job-specific calculations when carrying out his/her work. He/she is responsible for maintaining the hand tools, machines, vehicles, attachments and superstructures required for summer and winter road maintenance, as well as the machines and construction equipment required for road maintenance tasks, and the equipment and machines belonging to and located in his/her work area. He/she detects faults in the machines and arranges for their repair (in-house or external repair).

**Interdisciplinary areas of competence:**

- Working in an operational and professional environment
- Quality oriented, safe and sustainable work
- Digital work

#### 4. RANGE OF OCCUPATIONS ACCESSIBLE TO THE HOLDER OF THE CERTIFICATE <sup>(3)</sup>

**Range of occupations:**

Employment in public road construction authorities, road and motorway maintenance authorities and building yards, construction companies, civil engineering companies or other related industries such as landscaping companies or snow clearance companies

<sup>(3)</sup> if applicable

**(\*) Explanatory note**

This document has been developed with a view to providing additional information on individual certificates; it has no legal effect in its own right. These explanatory notes refer to the Decision (EU) 2018/646 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 April 2018 on a common framework for the provision of better services for skills and qualifications (Europass).

More information on Europass is available at: <http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu> or [www.europass.at](http://www.europass.at)

#### 5. OFFICIAL BASIS OF THE CERTIFICATE

Name and status of the body awarding the certificate	Name and status of the national/regional authority providing accreditation/recognition of the certificate
Lehrlingsstelle der Wirtschaftskammer  (Apprenticeship Office of the Economic Chamber; for the address, see certificate)	Bundesministerium für Wirtschaft, Energie und Tourismus (Federal Ministry for Economy, Energy and Tourism)
Level of the certificate (national or international)	Grading scale / Pass requirements
NQF/EQF 4 ISCED 35	Overall performance: Pass with Distinction Good Pass Pass Fail
Access to next level of education/training	International agreements
Access to the <i>Berufsreifeprüfung</i> (i.e. certificate providing university access for skilled workers) or a vocational college for people under employment. Access to relevant courses at a university of applied science ( <i>Fachhochschule</i> : university level study programme of at least three years' duration with vocational-technical orientation); additional examinations must be taken if the educational objective of the respective course requires it.	Between Germany, Hungary, South Tyrol and Austria, international agreements on the mutual automatic recognition of apprenticeship-leave examinations and other vocational qualifications have been concluded. Information on equivalent apprenticeship occupations can be obtained from the (Federal Ministry for Economy, Energy and Tourism).
Legal basis	
1. Training Regulation for Road Maintenance Specialist BGBl. II (Federal Law Gazette) No. 143/2025 (company-based training) 2. Curriculum framework (education at the vocational school for apprentices) 3. The present apprenticeship trade replaces the apprenticeship trade Road Servicing Specialist (Training and Examination Regulation BGBl. II (Federal Law Gazette) No. 145/2011, which expired as of 30 of June 2025.	

#### 6. OFFICIALLY RECOGNISED WAYS OF ACQUIRING THE CERTIFICATE

1. Training in the framework of the given Training Regulation for Road Maintenance Specialist and of the curriculum of the vocational school for apprentices. Admission to the final apprenticeship examination upon completion of the apprenticeship period specified for the apprenticeship trade concerned. The final apprenticeship examination aims to establish whether the apprentice has acquired the skills and competences required for the respective apprenticeship trade and is able to carry out the activities particular to the learned trade herself/himself in an appropriate manner.
2. Admission to the final apprenticeship examination in accordance with Article 23 (5) of the *Berufsausbildungsgesetz* (Vocational Training Act). An applicant for an examination is entitled to sit the final apprenticeship examination without completing a formal apprenticeship training if she/he has reached 18 years of age and is able to prove acquisition of the required skills and competences by means of a relevant practical or an on-the-job training activity of appropriate length, by attending relevant courses etc.

**Additional information:**

**Entry requirements:** successful completion of 9 years of compulsory schooling

**Duration of training:** 3 years

**Enterprise-based training:** Enterprise-based training comprises  $\frac{4}{5}$  of the entire duration of the training and focuses on the provision of job-specific skills and competences according to Article 3 of the Training Regulation, BGBl. II (Federal Law Gazette) No. 134/2025, enabling the apprentice to exercise qualified activities as defined by the profile of skills and competences specified above (cf. job profile).

**Education at vocational school:** School-based education comprises  $\frac{1}{5}$  of the entire duration of the training. The vocational school for apprentices has the tasks of imparting to apprentices the basic theoretical knowledge, of supplementing their enterprise-based training and of widening their general education in the framework of subject-oriented part-time instruction.

**More information** (including a description of the national qualification system) is available at:

[www.zeugnisinfo.at](http://www.zeugnisinfo.at) and [www.edusystem.at](http://www.edusystem.at)

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