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“Resources for the Single Shop Owner”

Equipment, Tools, Fixtures, and Furnishings Checklist for Opening and Organizing an Auto Repair Shop

Air Conditioning Cabinet

- Air conditioning flush tools
- Air conditioning leak detector
- Air conditioning line repair kit
- Air conditioning refrigerant identifier

Axle, Brakes, Steering, and Suspension Cabinet

- Axle shaft puller
- Ball joint press
- Brake bleeder
- Brake drum micrometer
- Brake line flaring tool
- Brake rotor micrometer
- Hub removal tool
- Inner tie rod tools
- Lug nut ripper
- Pitman arm puller
- Power steering bleeder kit
- Power steering pressure tester
- Power steering pulley puller
- Steering wheel puller
- Wheel hub and nut socket set

Engine Tools Cabinet

- Camshaft tools
- Charging starting system tester
- Compression tester
- Drive belt removal tool
- Exhaust manifold tool sets
- Fuel line repair tool
- Harmonic balancer puller
- Seal driver set
- Torque angle gauges
- Three jaw pullers
- Valve clearance adjuster tools

Fastener Tools Cabinet

- Angle drill
- Drill bit sets
- Extractor sets for broken fasteners
- Inductive heat fastener removal tool
- Thread repair chaser set
- Thread repair for axles
- Thread repair for spark plugs
- Thread repair rethreading tool set
- Thread repair tap and die set

Fluid Service Equipment

- Coolant flushing machine
- Cordless lube gun
- Fluid evacuators
- Fuel injection cleaning equipment
- Gasoline caddy
- Gear oil pump and dolly
- Oil change drain tank
- Oil drum hand truck
- Oil drum pumps
- Oil drum spill trays

Lifting Equipment

- Bottle jack
- Engine lift cherry picker

- Engine stands
- Floor jack
- Jack stands
- Lift arm adapters
- Lifts
- Screw jack short
- Screw jacks long
- Transmission and gas tank jack

Shop Information Equipment

- Computer monitors
- Desktop computers
- Laptop computer
- Stools
- Tablets
- UPS battery backups

Testing Cabinet

- Backpressure tester
- Battery tester
- Borescope
- Code reader and reset tool
- Cooling system pressure tester
- Cylinder leak-down tester
- Diagnostic scan tools
- Dial indicator
- Electronic stethoscope
- EVAP system leak tester, smoke machine
- Fluid leak dye tester
- Fuel injection tester
- Lab scope
- Multimeter
- Oil pressure tester
- Programming tool
- Timing light
- Thermal imaging camera

Tire Service Area

- Tire changer
- Tire inflator gauges

- ___ Tire patching stand
- ___ Tire repair tool set
- ___ Tire trolley cart
- ___ Tire wheel lift dolly
- ___ TPMS sensor repair kit
- ___ Wheel balancer
- ___ Wheel weight bin

Toolboxes and Benches

- ___ Bench grinder
- ___ Impact guns
- ___ Impact sockets
- ___ Tool carts
- ___ Toolboxes
- ___ Vises
- ___ Work benches

Wall and Ceiling Mounted Shop Equipment

- ___ Fire extinguishers
- ___ Floor mat dispenser
- ___ Light fixtures
- ___ Paper towel dispenser
- ___ Seat cover dispenser
- ___ Shop vac
- ___ Strut spring compressor
- ___ Torque wrench checker
- ___ Wall-mounted fans

Welding Equipment

- ___ Acetylene torch cart
- ___ Acetylene torch set
- ___ Acetylene torch tools
- ___ Welder
- ___ Welder tool kit
- ___ Welding cart

Wheel Alignment Equipment

- ___ Wheel aligner
- ___ Wheel alignment camber bag

- ___ Wheel alignment lift
- ___ Wheel alignment mirror
- ___ Wheel alignment slip-plates

General Tools and Shop Equipment

- ___ Air compressor
- ___ Air conditioning R1234A machine
- ___ Air conditioning R134A machine
- ___ Battery booster pack
- ___ Battery charger
- ___ Blower
- ___ Brake lathe
- ___ Breaker bars
- ___ Car pusher
- ___ Clocks
- ___ Creeper
- ___ Exhaust port hoses and connectors
- ___ Extension cords
- ___ Generator
- ___ Headlight aimer
- ___ Ladders
- ___ Lockout tool set
- ___ Parts cleaning tank
- ___ Pedestal fans
- ___ Press
- ___ Press adapter tools set
- ___ Pressure washer
- ___ Reciprocating saw
- ___ Salt spreader for ice melt
- ___ Sandblaster
- ___ Trash cans
- ___ Wheel bearing splitter

Breakroom

- ___ Air fryer convection toaster oven
- ___ Break room furniture
- ___ Break room refrigerator
- ___ Breakroom table and chairs
- ___ Clock

- Coffee maker
- Dishwasher
- Microwave
- Paper towel dispenser
- Refrigerator with icemaker
- TV

Customer Lounge

- Coffee bar
- Coffee maker
- Customer drinks refrigerator
- Customer lounge furniture
- Customer lounge shades and blinds
- Customer lounge table and chairs
- Customer workstation desk
- Entry door mats
- Open sign
- TV

Sales Area

- Sales display, timing belt
- Sales display, tires
- Sales display, serpentine belt
- Sales display, brakes
- Sales display, air conditioning

Service Advisor Area and Offices

- Cell phones
- Clocks
- Computer monitors
- Copier
- Desktop computers
- Document scanner
- Ethernet cables
- File cabinet
- Glass chair mats
- Key box
- Lube sticker printer
- Office chairs

- Office desks
- Paper shredder
- Phone system
- Printer
- Safe
- Security cameras
- Security system
- Space heater
- UPS battery backups

Outside

- Key box for after-hours drop off
- Key box for after-hours pick-up
- Signage

Parts Room

- Hardware bins
- Parts shelves

Restrooms

- Hand dryers
- Lockers
- Paper towel dispensers