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**SNAP-ON LAUNCHES NEW TABLET-DRIVEN TEST LANE**

Snap-on, the brand leader in diagnostic tools and garage equipment for the automotive industry, has announced the launch into the John Bean brand of a new tablet-driven test lane which helps garages and workshops prepare for the future of the MOT test.

The innovative development utilises the most up-to-date technology to make life for the technician a whole lot easier ahead of the new processes that are being introduced this year by DVSA.

The MOT test is changing in 2015 with the process moving to a web-based system that allows testers to record results 'on the go' and utilises a central database for storing vehicle details and results.

Garages will be switched over to the new system between April and September, which will give testers more choice and flexibility over how they carry out tests while also simplifying processes to help improve road safety and test quality.

Technicians using the handheld tablet, which will have the ability to connect to the new DVSA web-based system that is replacing the current VTS devices stationed in workshops, will immediately have all of the information they need to carry out a test at their fingertips.

They will be able to use the tablet to enter the results for the individual tests on the DVSA form as well as it being the driver for the brake and emissions test. Using the tablet means that the technician can easily see the live readings without having to leave the vehicle.

For example, if a test is being performed on a car's exhaust emissions, the tester can carry out the required steps from inside the vehicle and can see the results on the tablet immediately.

Using a tablet is a simple route for garages to connect to the new DVSA system and also provides easy access to the required pass/fail guidelines for tests.

The tablet will become the central control point for the brake roller test, emissions test, printing and recording of the test directly with the DVSA, all wirelessly.

Along with the changes to the tablet, developments have been made to the RPM and oil temperature measurement device which enables testing through a dongle that can be fitted to the vehicle's EOBD connector (diesel vehicles only), and will simply pass the information straight to the tablet.\*

The launch of Snap-on's new tablet-driven test lane – which will be available for the Sun, John Bean and HOFMANN brands – kicks off the 95th year of Snap-on's operations and the 50th year of operations in the United Kingdom market.

\*At time of going to press final testing by DVSA on the EOBD device was not yet carried out. Note – a broadband connection must be available on site in order to connect to the DVSA testing system.

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