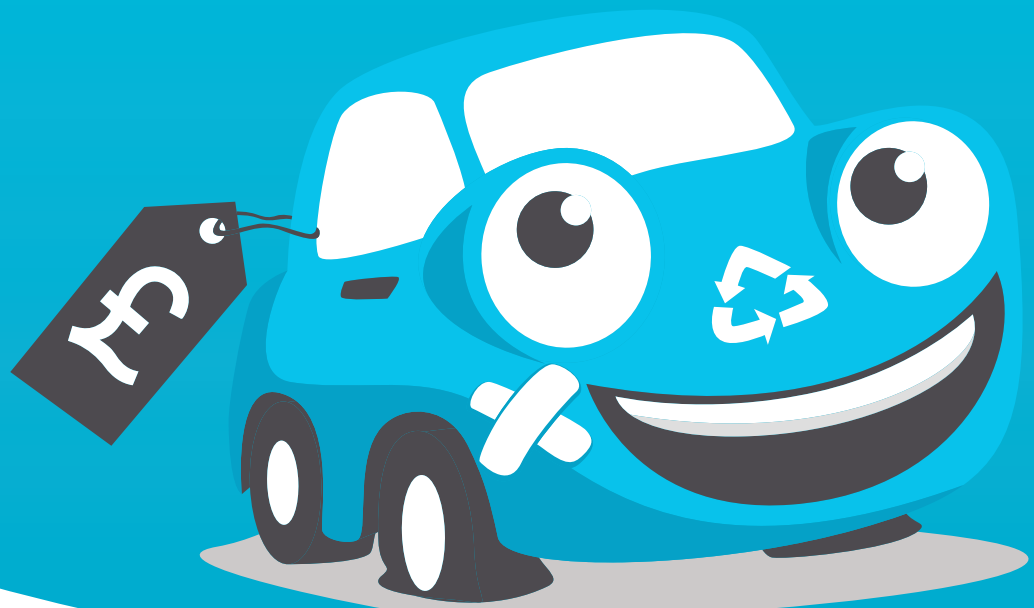


# Guide to scrapping your car

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Scrapping your car has never been easier



Whether your car has been in an accident, is a non-runner, MOT failure or is simply no longer needed, you can make money from it by scrapping your car with Scrap Car Comparison. With UK-based experts, we can help you throughout the car scrapping process right from the moment you pick up the phone, and with all our prices guaranteed, we'll be able to provide you with exactly the amount you're quoted.

**Read on to find out how to start the process of scrapping your car.**

## MOT CERTIFICATE


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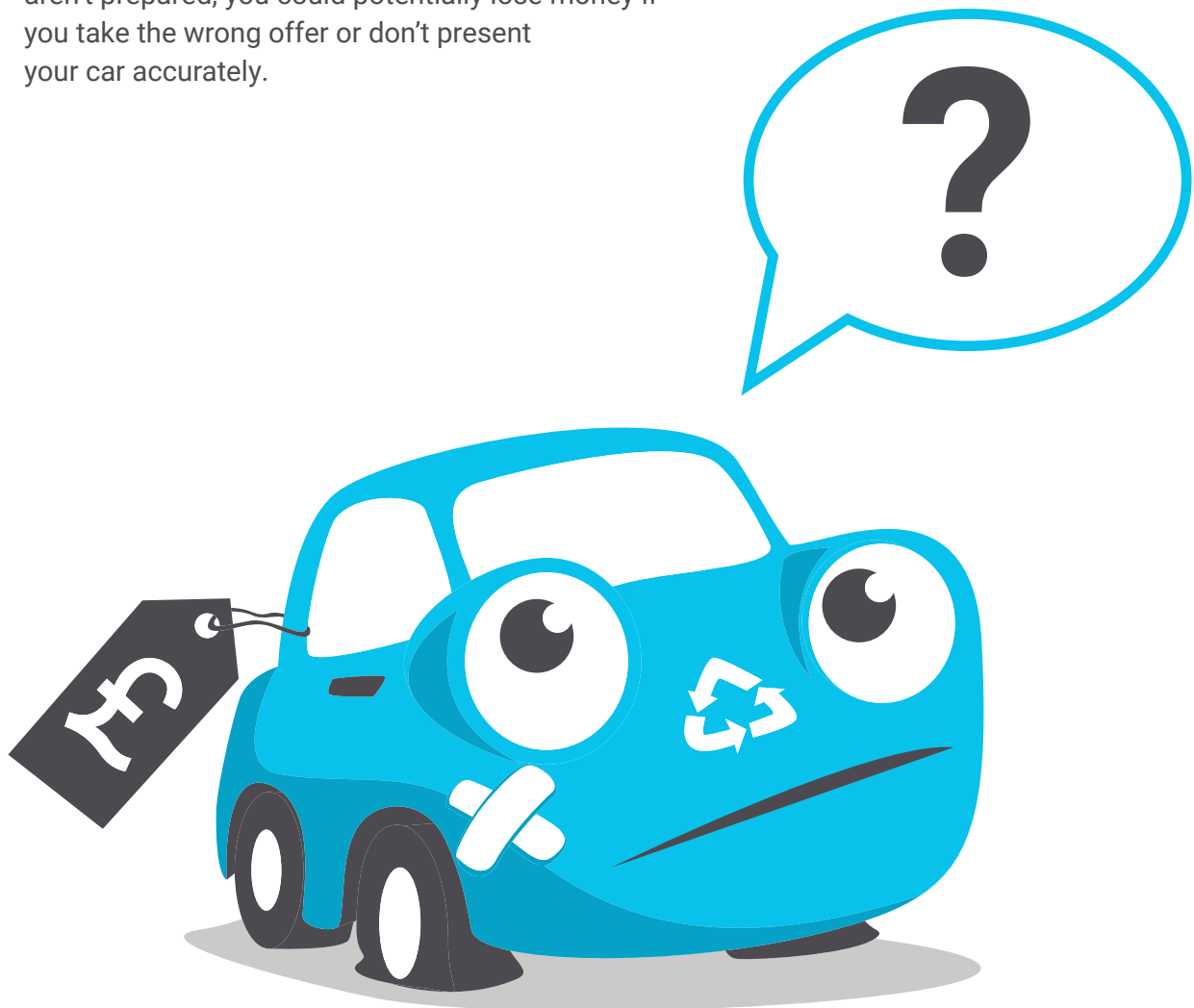
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## How does the car scrapping process work?

The best aspect of the car scrapping process is that it can be split into two simple steps. Scrapping your car can be a quick and hassle-free process, as long as you use a trusted and efficient service to help you.

Before you scrap your car, it's important to do your research so that you know the process that scrapping entails. If you aren't prepared, you could potentially lose money if you take the wrong offer or don't present your car accurately.



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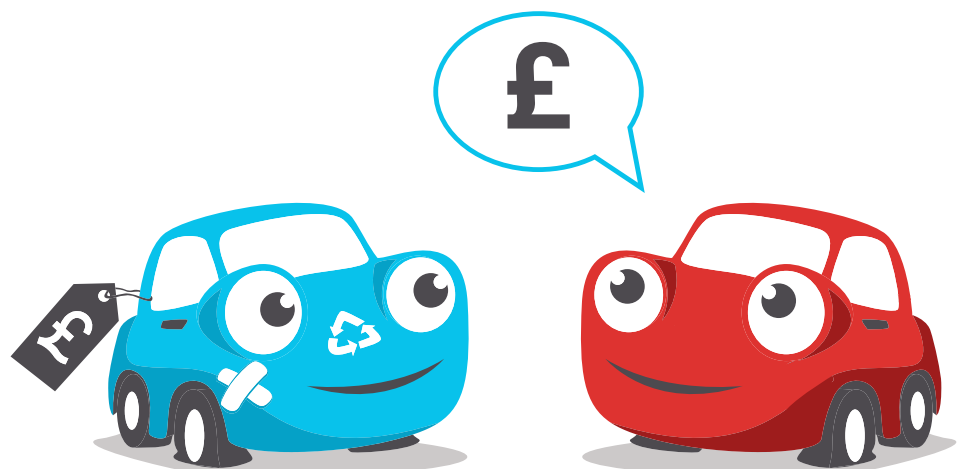
## Find the right buyer

The most important thing to do when scrapping your vehicle is to make sure you find the right buyer. You want to make sure that the buyer you choose is offering you the right price for your vehicle, is going to come and collect your vehicle (if that's something you've agreed) and will be fair and trustworthy throughout the process, so that you can be sure that the scrapping process is completely legitimate.

Buyers will have to follow certain legal requirements, such as providing you with a Certificate of Destruction, when your car is scrapped, and the scrapping process will most likely take place at an Authorised Treatment Facility, unless you are selling your car to a salvage buyer or specialist buyer.

When you take your car to an Authorised Treatment Facility for scrapping, you will need to bring along your V5C logbook, as mentioned above, and a Photo ID.

Finding the right buyer for your vehicle is quick and easy when you get a quote through Scrap Car Comparison. Simply enter your registration number and postcode into our [quote form](#) and, once you're added into our buyer network, we'll let you know who the best buyer is and what their collection terms and conditions are.



All of the [buyers](#) we work with are trusted and reliable – we screen all of our buyers before we decide to work with them and award them either a trusted or certified status if we do choose to include them in our network.

A buyer with a trusted status will have had a company background check, will have filled out an in-depth questionnaire about their company activities and the services they provide, their contact information will have been verified, and if the buyer is an Authorised Treatment Facility, their registered number and licenses have been checked.

A buyer who has been awarded with a certified status will have gone through all the trusted buyer checks and are regarded as the highest quality buyers on our site because of the additional qualities they possess. These include 95% positive feedback from their customers, a verified site inspection and that they have adhered to our service level agreements.

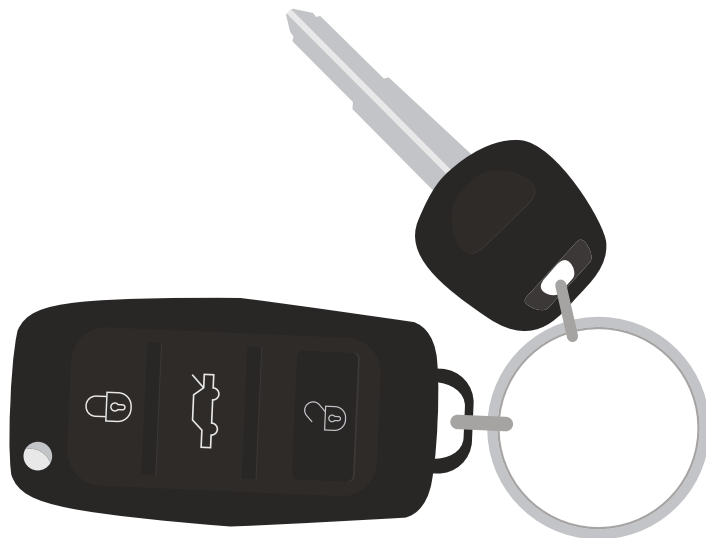


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### Organise collection

Once you have accepted the quote from your chosen buyer, the next step of the scrapping process is to organise the collection of your vehicle. Especially in the case of damaged or written-off vehicles, your car will most likely not be functional enough to drive, so you'll need to make sure that it is able to be accessed by a recovery vehicle.

This location can be on your driveway, a nearby road, or even a local garage forecourt if you have permission from the owners. In some cases, with certain buyers, it may be possible for your vehicle to be collected without you being present, but this very much depends on the buyer and the specific case - it is likely that a Photo ID will be required beforehand if your scrap car is being collected while you are absent.



Sometimes buyers will charge for collection of vehicles so make sure to discuss it with them when receiving a quote. This is especially important since some buyers will hide their collection fees behind the quote, meaning that you won't get paid as much as quoted because they'll deduct the collection fee from the final amount.

**At Scrap Car Comparison, we offer 100% free collections across our buyer network, meaning that you won't get caught out by any hidden collection fees while looking at quotes. The quote you receive will be exactly the amount you will receive from the buyer.**



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## Receive your payment

Following the collection of your vehicle, in most cases, you should receive your payment instantly. Payment terms do vary from collector to collector, but the most common practice is to transfer payment via BACS, so you should receive your money in no time at all. It is key to note that some collectors may use business cheques, since they are a recognised and used form of payment within the industry, although not as common as instant bank transfers.

If your vehicle is being sold for scrap, you should be very aware of any buyers who offer to pay for your vehicle in cash since the Scrap Metal Dealer's Act has made accepting cash payments for a scrap car illegal. The only time in which receiving cash as payment is acceptable is in the case of salvage buyers,

since cash is a possible method of payment in those transactions, depending on the buyer. If a buyer offers to pay for your vehicle in cash, this is an instant red flag and you should find another buyer for your scrap car.

As we've mentioned previously, all our quotes at Scrap Car Comparison are completely guaranteed so you will be able to receive exactly the amount you were quoted once your car has been collected. The only instance in which you would receive less money than your quote would be if you had inaccurately described your vehicle, in which case an inspection would determine the correct value for your car.

All payments by our buyers are made using either BACS or business cheques.

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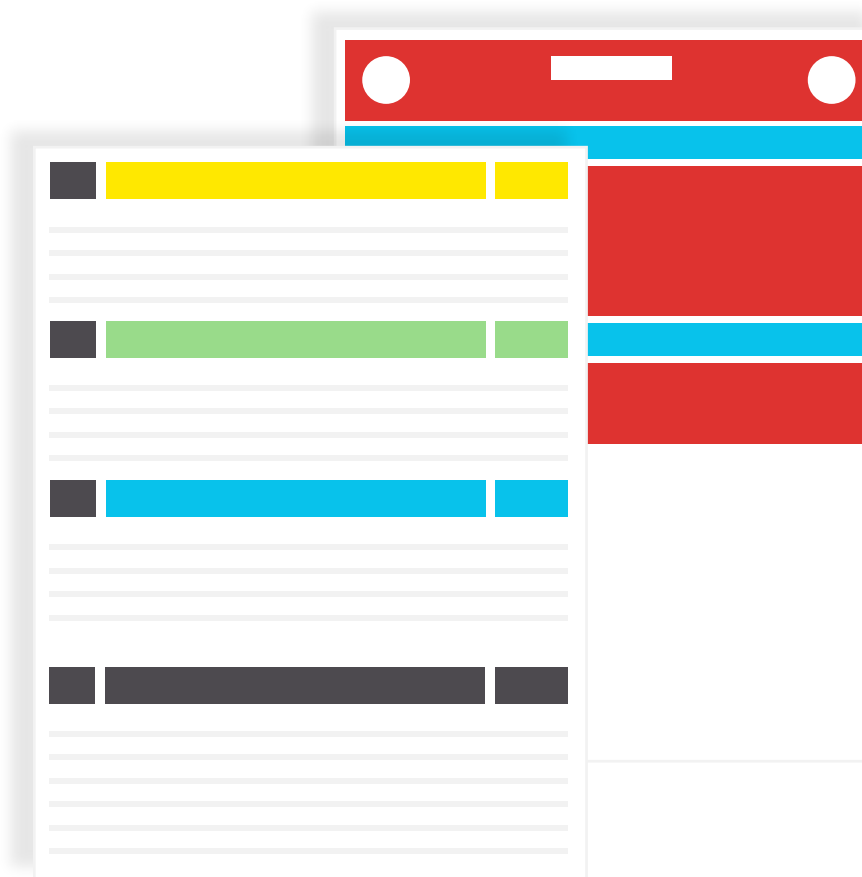


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## Notify the DVLA

In order to scrap your car, you will need to directly notify the DVLA to make sure they're aware that your vehicle is no longer being used. To do this, you will need to find the 11-digit number in the V5C/3 (your Registration Certificate) – this will be found in the yellow section at the top of the logbook. More details about this process can be found [here](#).

Alternatively, if you don't want to declare your car sold online, you can also fill out Section 9 in your V5 and send it off to the DVLA.



## Answers to questions you may be asking

If this is the first time you're considering scrapping a vehicle, you may have some questions about the process that aren't specifically answered in our step by step description. For that reason, here are some of the most common FAQs we receive, along with our answers to help give you all the information you need.

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### What happens if my vehicle is not worth buying for scrap?

Even if your vehicle is unable to be bought for scrapping, there are ways that you can still make a little bit of money. At Scrap Car Comparison, due to our close partnerships with our buyers, we can help you organise the collection of your vehicle so that it can be taken to a Government Authorised Treatment Facility so that it can be recycled.

As long as your vehicle is in one piece and hasn't already been dismantled, you may still be able to receive some money for your car.

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### How do I find out how much my scrap vehicle is worth?

Scrap vehicle prices can vary with regards to a number of different factors, including age, make and model, weight and the condition it is in. You can find out more about the factors that influence the price of your scrap car in our blog.

If you're looking to get a quote for your vehicle, which will give you an accurate price for your specific make, model and condition of your car, simply enter your registration number and postcode into our simple [quote form](#). Our system will then compare the scrap and salvage prices from our buyers to make sure you get the most for your vehicle.

## Why would I scrap my car?

There are a variety of reasons why you may consider scrapping your car; the reasons generally fall into one of two categories.

The first category focuses on cars that have become too expensive to repair, due to, for example:

- Damage from a crash
- Engine failure
- Gearbox failure
- A failed MOT test
- Seized brakes

The second category focuses on other reasons why you may want to scrap your car, such as:

- Upgrading your car to a newer model
- Freeing up existing parking space
- Wanting to make some money

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## Will scrapping my car impact the environment?

If you imagine the process of scrapping a car, you may well picture the car being crushed, melted down and made into new cars, but in reality it's a little more intricate than that. Scrapping cars has a balanced impact on the environment, meaning that while taking cars with dangerous emission levels off the road is a positive impact for the environment, it also does take energy to recycle the vehicles – especially regarding the different processes needed to recycle different parts of the car.

However, in some cases, there are ways in which a scrap car can contribute more value. While it is at the end of its life, some of its parts may have value and can be sold on to use as replacement parts for another vehicle. This avoids the need for the car to be melted down and remade, reducing its environmental impact.

All of the scrap yards, waste and recycling sites we work with are Authorised Treatment Facilities, so the recycling and scrapping of cars follows governmental guidelines for doing so in an environmentally-friendly way.

## Scrapping your car with Scrap Car Comparison

On average, over 1.5 million cars are scrapped in the UK every year for many different reasons. The owners could be looking to upgrade their vehicle and want to make a little money to help subsidise that, or they could be facing expensive repairs after an accident or a write-off.

This can be a stressful time, especially if your vehicle falls into the second category, but that's where we can help. We have a national network of waste sites and salvage buyers, so we're able to offer a comprehensive comparison service for all prices available for your vehicle. Simply provide some details of your vehicle and we can tell you whether you'd be looking at a scrapping option, or whether it's able to be salvaged.

Once your information is entered into our database – a network that is built up of the best scrap and salvage buyers in the UK – we will be able to share all the quotes available with you. All these quotes are guaranteed, which means that as long as you've described your vehicle accurately, you will receive exactly the amount that has been quoted. Additionally, there are no hidden fees since all of our buyers operate on a free collection basis.

