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### CASE STUDY

Allow me to introduce myself, my name is B J Brooks, I'm 37 and a class 1 Vehicle Mechanic (VM) in the Royal Electrical Mechanical Engineers (REME) - and have been for coming up to 20 years now. I'm currently posted in Germany where my job is SNCO FWD B in an Armoured company. In essence you could say I'm a Line Manager, having 19 people working for me. I've also served recently in such places as Afghanistan, Kuwait/Iraq and have had postings to Canada, Germany, Belize, Northern Ireland and UK.

I've worked on a wide and varied range of Military Equipment from trailers through to the Challenger 2 Tank. Upon gaining the relevant qualifications, after completing the VM's class 1 course, I compared them with our civilian counterparts and although it appeared we held the same I decided to get myself an edge. Since I wasn't going to be in the Army all my life I chose to join the SOE and although it has little impact on my life whilst I'm still serving it keeps me up to date with our civilian counterparts and will no doubt be of great help when I decide to leave the Army.

So why did I decide to get registered as an Engineering Technician with the Engineering Council? Well, it could mean the difference between getting an interview or not, and keeps you appraised of changes within the Transport Industry.

So to end, I would advise you to join an institute and get registered. It could make all the difference in getting the job you want.

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