

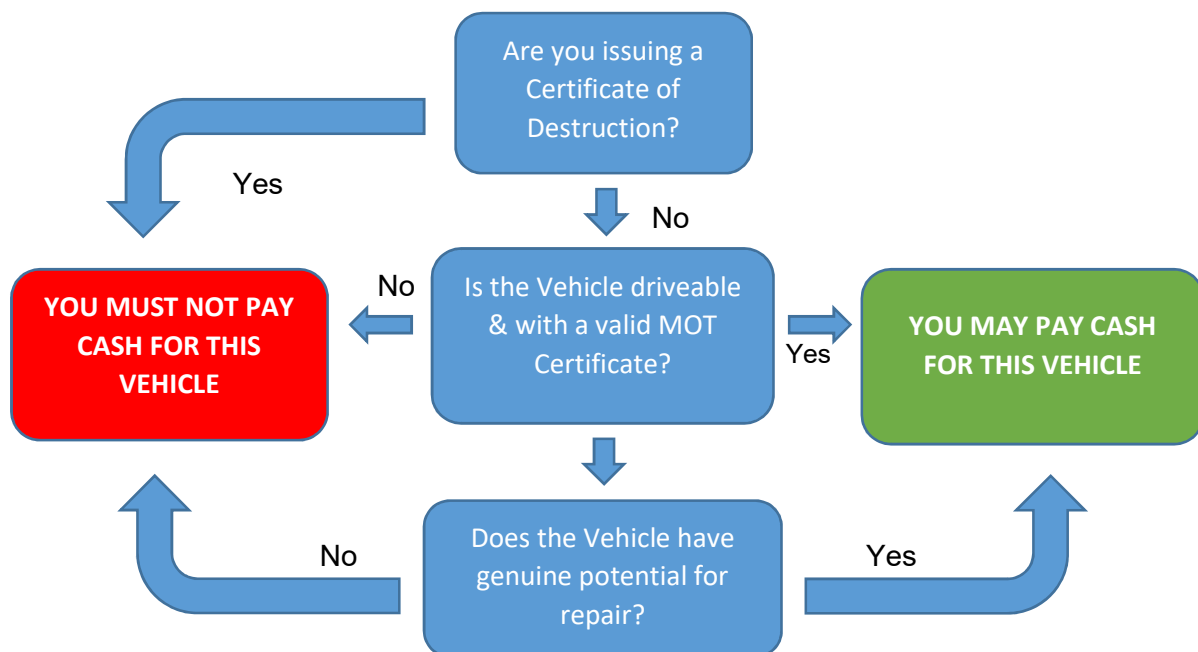
### Can I pay cash for vehicles?

Under the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013 it is illegal to pay cash for scrap metal.

Whether a vehicle will be considered to be scrap depends on the circumstances of each case. A vehicle that is classed as scrap cannot be bought for cash.

If a Certificate of Destruction is issued, the car is considered to be scrap and you must not therefore pay cash for it.

Please see below a flowchart that should assist in deciding whether it may be permissible to pay cash:



Potential buyers should note that, if you decide to pay cash for an un-driveable vehicle without a valid MOT certificate, you may have to justify your assessment of repairability in court. There needs to be a genuine potential for repair and re-sale in order for cash to be paid.

Source: Home office – Supplementary guidance – Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013, Dec 2013