

Motor Vehicle Advisory

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TO: All Interested Parties
FROM: Raymond P. Martinez, Chairman and Chief Administrator
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SUBJECT: **Changes to Motor Vehicle Inspection Program
May 1, 2016**

The New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission will be making changes to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Inspection Program effective May 1, 2016. With the new changes, MVC will be exempting additional vehicles from inspection. Owners of the exempted vehicles will be issued a card similar to the example below:



Front



Back

Motorists will be informed to keep these cards in their vehicles at all times. Law enforcement officials should not issue summonses to these motorists for failure to inspect the vehicle if it is on the exempt list below and does not display an inspection sticker.

The following charts indicate the vehicles that are exempt, those that require an annual inspection, those that require a biennial inspection, and those vehicles subject to self-inspection:

CHART 1- EXEMPT FROM INSPECTION

(These vehicles with the exception of collector vehicles will not display inspection stickers)

EXEMPT FROM INSPECTION
Gasoline powered passenger vehicles Model Year 1995 or older with GVWR of 8,500 or less
Gasoline powered passenger vehicles Model Year 2007 or older with GVWR of 8,501 to 14,000 lbs
Gasoline powered passenger vehicles Model Year 2013 or older with GVWR of 14,001 lbs or greater
Diesel powered passenger vehicles Model Year 1996 or older with GVWR of 8,500 lbs or less
Electric vehicles and other vehicles not fueled by hydrocarbon based fuel
Collector Vehicles- odometer and credential verification at a Specialty Inspection Site every five years (collector vehicle sticker)
Farm Use
Farm Tractor
Historic Plated Vehicles (QQ)
Motorcycles
Mopeds
Vehicles with a general registration and plates with the "D" markings.

CHART 2- ANNUAL INSPECTION

ANNUAL INSPECTION – 1 YEAR STICKER
All Passenger Vehicle Transportation Vehicles (OA, OH, OJ, OL, OM, OP, OT and O2)
All gasoline or bi-fueled vehicles plated commercial
All diesel powered vehicles plated commercial with a GVWR of 8,500 or less

CHART 3: PASSENGER VEHICLES/BIENNIAL INSPECTIONS

This chart includes all passenger vehicles that are plated passenger, not for profit (NF), governmental, commuter van (CV), farmer or farm truck. It gives a brief description of the different type of passenger vehicles and summarizes the required inspection cycle. Vehicles required to be inspected will have an inspection sticker displayed on the lower driver side corner.

PASSENGER VEHICLES		
VEHICLE DESCRIPTION		INSPECTION CYCLE
Gross Vehicle Weight Rating of 8,500 lbs or less	Gasoline or bi-fueled powered Model Year 1996 or Newer	Every Two Years
	Gasoline or bi-fueled powered Model Year 1995 or Older	Exempt (no sticker)
	Diesel powered Model Year 1997 or Newer	Every Two Years
	Diesel powered Model Year 1996 or Older	Exempt (no sticker)
Gross Vehicle Weight Rating from 8,501 lbs to 14,000 lbs	Gasoline or bi-fueled powered Model Year 2008 or Newer	Every Two Years
	Gasoline or bi-fueled powered Model Year 2007 or Older	Exempt (no sticker)
	Diesel powered all model years	Self-Inspected (no sticker)
Gross Vehicle Weight Rating from 14,001 lbs to 17,999 lbs	Gasoline or bi-fueled powered Model Year 2014 or Newer	Every Two Years
	Gasoline or bi-fueled powered Model Year 2013 or Older	Exempt (no sticker)
	Diesel powered all model years	Self-Inspected (no sticker)
Gross Vehicle Weight Rating 18,000 lbs or greater	Gasoline or bi-fueled powered Model Year 2014 or Newer	Every Two Years
	Gasoline or bi-fueled powered Model Year 2013 or Older	Exempt (no sticker)
	Diesel powered all model years	Every Year

CHART 4: SELF INSPECTED VEHICLES/ANNUAL INSPECTIONS

(These vehicles with the exception of collector vehicles will not display inspection stickers)

Diesel powered passenger vehicles All Model Years with GVRW of 8,501 to 17,999
Diesel powered commercial vehicles All Model Years with GVRW of 8,501 to 17,999
Trailers

SPECIAL PROVISIONS

Any vehicle that failed inspection before May 1, 2016 will still be required to be repaired and pass a re-inspection before it can be issued a certificate of approval (inspection sticker).