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New Emissions Stations:
Starting March 1, 2019, PennDOT is requiring all NEW emissions inspection stations to have inspection equipment meeting the New Equipment Specification Standards. Stations applying for appointment as an emissions inspection station on or after March 1, 2019, will not be approved with older emissions inspection equipment.

Existing Emissions Stations Final Equipment Transition Date - November 1, 2019:
PennDOT has designated a final transition date for all active emissions inspection stations to be running OBD and Visual inspection equipment meeting the new specifications. It is expected that all stations will be using new equipment no later than November 1, 2019.

Emissions Inspection Stations that have not updated to OBD and Visual inspection equipment meeting the new specifications will not be permitted to perform emissions inspections after November 1, 2019, until they receive and activate new inspection equipment.

PennDOT recommends that all existing emissions inspection stations still using older equipment begin upgrading to equipment meeting the New Equipment Specification Standards now. All three participating vendors are now approved, providing choices for new equipment solutions.

PennDOT strongly encourages all Emissions Inspection Stations to make decisions and purchase agreements regarding new emissions inspection equipment in a timely fashion to facilitate Approved Vendor equipment installation schedules. Waiting too long to make a purchase agreement may result in not having the required equipment in place for the November 1, 2019, deadline and impact your station’s ability to conduct emissions inspections.

For updates relating to the OBD and Visual Emissions Inspection Specification Changes, please visit https://www.padrivecleanportal.com/.

PMF (Program Management Fee) Update:
Effective April 9, 2019, the PMF will be reduced from $1.65 to $1.57 for initial emissions tests.

If you have any questions, please contact the Vehicle Inspection Division at (717) 787-2895.

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