



ATTENTION: Official Inspection Stations, Quality Assurance Officers, and Pennsylvania State Police

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Two-Speed Idle Testing

Under current regulations (PA 67 177.51(f)(2)), beginning January 1, 2021, the 2-speed idle test will only be required for model year 1996 and newer vehicles weighing between 8,501 - 9,000 lbs. GVWR in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh Region I/M Counties.

The only vehicles 8,500 lbs. GVWR and under that still require a 2-speed idle test are model year 1995. The requirement for 2-speed idle tests for vehicles 8,500 lbs. GVWR and under, model year 1995 within Philadelphia and Pittsburgh Region I/M Counties, expires December 31, 2020.

Beginning January 1, 2021, vehicles 8,501 - 9,000 lbs. GVWR in the Philadelphia and Pittsburgh region are the only vehicles that will continue to require the 2-speed idle test, gas cap test and visual inspection. The regulations do not identify an end date for the 2-speed idle test requirement for these vehicles.

Also beginning January 1, 2021, vehicles 8,500 lbs. GVWR and under, model years 1995 and older, require gas cap and visual inspection. Vehicles 8,500 lbs. GVWR and under, model years 1996 and newer, continue to require a gas cap test and OBD-I/M check.

Please call the Inspection Station Operator hotline at 1-888-265-5909 if you have any questions.

New Inspector ID Numbers

In 2019, postcards were mailed to all inspection Emissions and Safety inspection stations, informing inspectors of PennDOT's New Inspector ID number and ID card program. Any inspector who had not already received a new-style Emissions or Safety Inspector ID card, displaying their new ID number, had the opportunity to acquire a new ID card(s) at no cost. For the time being, this program is still active.

Currently, Emission analyzers will accept either the New PennDOT Inspector ID number or the old number. **Starting February 1, 2021**, all Emission analyzers will require that you use your New PennDOT Inspector ID number when logging in. Old Inspector ID numbers will no longer be recognized after this date. Without your New Inspector ID Card and Number, you will not be able to access the Emission analyzer.

How can I tell if I have the right ID card number?

At this point, over 99% of Emissions Inspectors have received their new ID card. However, you may be one of a number of inspectors that continue to use their old ID card. Check to see if your Inspector ID Card starts with the number 9 – this is the correct, new-style version to be used for each test. As of February 1, 2021, this is the only card/number that will be accepted in the analyzer. This Inspector ID number can be used to log in to the Emissions analyzers and when recording inspection records in PennDOT's e-SAFETY system.

How do I get a new style ID replacement card?

Inspectors may visit the PA training portal website at www.patrainportal.com to order the new style ID card(s). For a limited time, new ID card(s) will be available at no cost; follow the steps below to order a new ID card.

Step 1: If you already have an account, log in to the training portal with your existing user ID and Password. If you don't have an account, click on "Sign-Up" to setup a new account.

Step 2: Once logged in, click on the plus sign beside "New ID Card" to see if there is a new ID card(s) available.

Step 3: If you have already received a new Safety and/or Emissions ID card, the date(s) produced will be displayed. If there are card(s) available, continue to step 4. If you have lost your new ID card and need to order a replacement, you can do so by clicking on "Pay For Training" then "Emissions Training Packages" to order a replacement.

Step 4: If there are cards available, click on the "order" button and follow the instructions to produce the card(s) and confirm/change the delivery address. New cards will arrive within three weeks of order date.

Have Questions about the New ID Card Program?

Contact the Inspection Station Operator Hotline
at 888-265-5909

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