

**ATTENTION: ALL OFFICIAL INSPECTION STATIONS
QUALITY ASSURANCE OFFICERS AND PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE**

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SPECIAL BULLETIN

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TOPICS IN THIS BULLETIN:

**UPDATES AND CLARIFICATIONS REGARDING PENNSYLVANIA'S EMISSIONS
INSPECTION PROGRAM**

This bulletin addresses changes in Pennsylvania's Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program.

As a result of these changes, 16 counties have been added to the emissions inspection program and the program in the 5-County Philadelphia and 4-County Pittsburgh regions will be modified to include OBD testing by the end of June 2004. PennDOT initiated a staggered rollout as a means of implementing these new program areas and modifications.

All subject vehicles included in this program must have a renewed emissions inspection sticker affixed to the windshield prior to having a renewed safety inspection sticker affixed to the windshield. As a reminder, the safety inspection procedures for vehicles registered in the 25 emissions counties referred to in this bulletin have not changed.

The following 16 expansion counties have been included in the program in the months listed below.

Expansion Counties

December 2003	Cumberland	Dauphin				
January 2004	Berks	Erie	Lehigh	Mercer	Northampton	
February 2004	Blair	Cambria	Centre	Lancaster	Lebanon	York
March 2004	Lackawanna	Luzerne	Lycoming			

The tables below indicate which test a subject vehicle requires in the expansion counties.

Northern Region: Blair, Cambria, Centre, Erie, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Lycoming and Mercer counties.

Passenger Cars	
1975 and Newer	Visual/Gas Cap

Light-Duty Trucks	
1975 and Newer	Visual/Gas Cap

South Central Region: Berks, Cumberland, Dauphin, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lehigh, Northampton and York counties.

Passenger Cars	
1975-1995	Visual/Gas Cap
1996 and Newer 8500 lbs and less GVWR	OBD/Gas Cap
1996 and Newer 8501 to 9000 lbs GVWR	Visual/Gas Cap

Light-Duty Trucks	
1975-1995	Visual/Gas Cap
1996 and Newer 8500 lbs and less GVWR	OBD/Gas Cap
1996 and Newer 8501 to 9000 lbs GVWR	Visual/Gas Cap

Existing Counties: Program modifications have or will begin in the existing nine counties as indicated on the chart below.

January 2004	Allegheny	Beaver	Washington	Westmoreland	
February 2004	Allegheny	Beaver	Washington	Westmoreland	
March 2004	Allegheny	Beaver	Washington	Westmoreland	
April 2004	Bucks	Chester	Delaware	Montgomery	Philadelphia
May 2004	Bucks	Chester	Delaware	Montgomery	Philadelphia
June 2004	Bucks	Chester	Delaware	Montgomery	Philadelphia

During the rollout period, emissions inspection stations with OBD equipment must use that equipment for all applicable vehicles with a model year of 1996 and newer. Emissions inspection stations with OBD equipment are not permitted to revert back to an ASM/TSI test on vehicles required to receive the OBD test. At the end of each county’s rollout period, all stations must be equipped to perform all of the emissions tests required in that county in order to remain an emissions inspection station.

Vehicles registered in the Pittsburgh and Philadelphia regions will be required to have the following emissions inspection performed.

Pittsburgh Region: Allegheny, Beaver, Washington and Westmoreland Counties.

Passenger Cars	
1975-1978*	Visual/Gas Cap*
1979-1980	Single-Speed Idle
1981-1995	Two-Speed Idle
1996 and Newer 8500 lbs and less GVWR	OBD/Gas Cap*
1996 and Newer 8501-9000 lbs GVWR	Two-Speed Idle

Light-Duty Trucks	
1975-1978*	Visual/Gas Cap*
1979-1983	Single-Speed Idle
1984-1995	Two-Speed Idle
1996 and Newer 8500 lbs and less GVWR	OBD/Gas Cap*
1996 and Newer 8501-9000 lbs GVWR	Two-Speed Idle

* These tests must be performed on the OBD Analyzer

Philadelphia Region: Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia Counties.

Passenger Cars	
1975-1978*	Visual/Gas Cap*
1979-1980	Single-Speed Idle
1981-1995	ASM/Two-Speed Idle **
1996 and Newer 8500 lbs and less GVWR	OBD/Gas Cap*
1996 and Newer 8501-9000 lbs GVWR	Two-Speed Idle

Light-Duty Trucks	
1975-1978*	Visual/Gas Cap*
1979-1983	Single-Speed Idle
1984-1995	ASM/Two-Speed Idle**
1996 and Newer 8500 lbs and less GVWR	OBD/Gas Cap*
1996 and Newer 8501-9000 lbs GVWR	Two-Speed Idle

* These tests must be performed on the OBD Analyzer

** A Two-Speed Idle test must be performed on vehicles where the AWD/4WD or Traction Control systems cannot be disengaged